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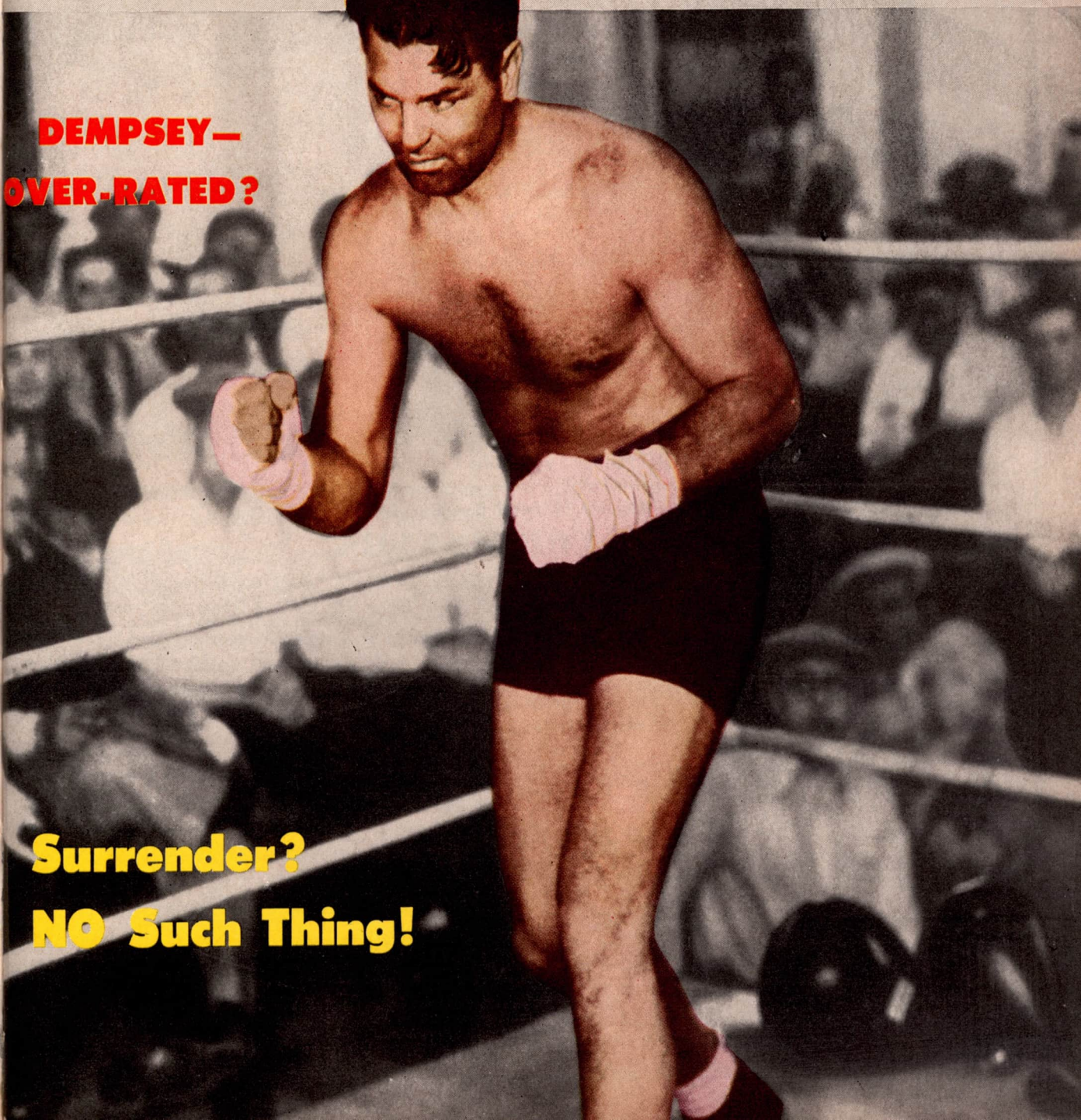

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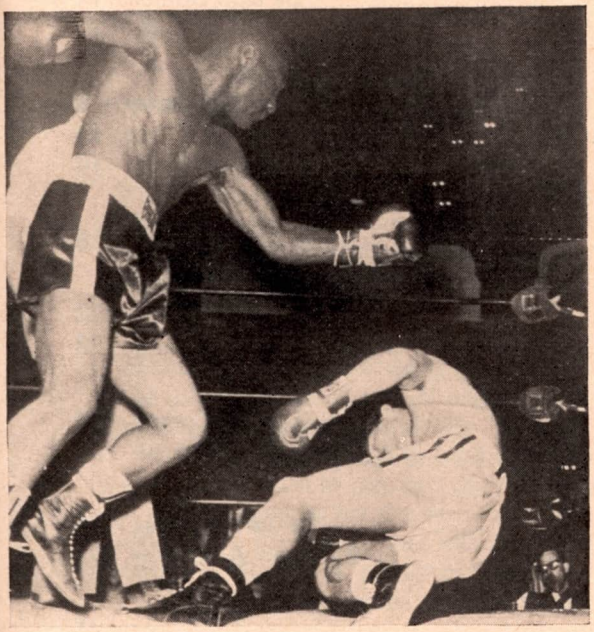

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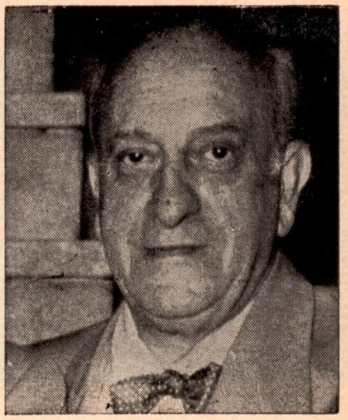


THE National Boxing Association at its recent annual convention adopted what it terms, *"World Championship Regulations"*.

This is a step in the right direction for the enforcement of title bouts, but it will get the N.B.A. nowhere because of its failure to work out plans for a true world committee, such as boxing had a few years ago and which Gen. Krulewitch is attempting to reorganize.

Robert K. Christenberry, New York Postmaster and then the New York State Boxing Commissioner, in conjunction with J. Onslow Fane, of the British Board of Boxing Control and the European Boxing Union, organized a body on which were representatives of the B.B. of C., the EBU, New York, the N.B.A. and the South American and Orient Federations. It was truly world-wide and as such, carried authority which the present N.B.A. committee does not have. Membership of such a committee belongs to every ruling body in boxing.

Thus, under the old committee which was abandoned when the National Boxing Association quit because it wanted to run world boxing as it is now attempting to do, three world championship matches and a world elimination took place without any bickering and to the general satisfaction of boxing moguls throughout the world.

The N.B.A., through its latest edict, declares that it, and it alone, has the right to determine when a title match shall be arranged and who shall be the challenger.

Its regulations fail to refer to any rights of foreign legal bodies to be consulted in the naming of challengers, nor do they take into consideration ratings of any organization other than the ranking of boxers by the N.B.A. ratings committee.

By what authority the National Boxing Association "World" Committee has any legal power to remove a champion from his post as top man of the division for failure to fight one of the top six N.B.A. rated boxers, is something the courts would have to decide.

As has been pointed out in The Ring time and again, a World Championship Committee is badly needed in boxing. But the N.B.A. must consider the rights of all countries and not declare itself as the ruling power of world pugilism, which it is not and never has been. Boxing is carried on in as large a scale in England and Continental Europe and in the Asiatic Countries as in the United States. Hence they should have a say in matters pertaining to world championships. If a European or an Asiatic country wants to stage a world title bout, it's a cinch it won't seek permission to do so from the N.B.A.

If the National Boxing Association's regulations are to have the effect the N.B.A. membership expects, then the World Committee should be a universal one, with only one member each from the N.B.A., California, New York, the British Board of Boxing Control, the European Boxing Union and one from the Orient Federation of Boxing, constituting membership. Then, and then alone, the faith of the public makes the actions of such a committee effective.

The Ring Ranking of Boxers is the forerunner of *all* ratings. It is accepted throughout the world by commissions as outstanding. Often the N.B.A. rankings differ considerably from those of The Ring, but both are of considerable help to commissions, promoters, matchmakers and managers.

Under the old committee of which Bob Christenberry, then Julius Helfand, were at the head, the World Championship body in making its recommendations for challengers, took into consideration The Ring Ratings, those of the N.B.A., the E.B.U., The British Board of Boxing Control, the Orient Federation and the South American listings—a most proper procedure before making a decision and each body was consulted.

That was fair. It gave all boxers who were top-ranked an opportunity. But under the N.B.A. new regulations we find the following:

"Each World Champion in the weight classes from flyweight to light heavyweight inclusive, shall defend his championship within six months after its acquisition by him against a challenger whom he shall select from the six highest ranked boxers in his weight class in *(Continued on page 47)*

Benny Paret (left) has his hands on the RING belt presented to Emile Griffith for winning the world welterweight title. According to Emile, Paret "stole" the title when they clashed in Madison Square Garden.

"I WUZ ROBBED"

In Exclusive Story He Gives Inside Facts Of Split Decision Loss Of Welter Title To Paret

ON September 30, in the Garden in New York, I, Emile Griffiith lost the welterweight championship of the world to Benny Paret. The fight went the limit of fifteen rounds. I had won the title from Paret on April 1 with a knockout in the thirteenth round, at Miami Beach.

After the September 30 contest it was announced that referee Al Berl had voted for Griffith but the two judges, Artie Aidala and Tony Castellano, cast their votes for Paret.

The Aidala and Castellano cards showed 8-6-1. The Berl card was similar, but, of course, for the losing champion.

When the spectators heard the verdict there was quite a demonstration supporting the contention that I had been the winner.

I want to tell readers of The Ring Magazine, in my opinion, *"I wuz robbed!"*

I make it emphatic that I do not accuse the judges of being dishonest.

I regard them as competent, fair officials, acting on the basis of what they saw. But I question the accuracy of their decisions of this fight as it actually was fought, in that they were fooled by Paret punches which were of little consequence.

In any event, I will reiterate, time after time, as I did in the offices of The Ring Magazine, *"I wuz robbed!"*

It was a deadly loss for me. I dropped the world title, I dropped lucrative matches which would have come to me had I kept the title, and I lost the chance, and a good one, to achieve the Fighter of the Year Award either from The Ring Magazine or the New York Boxing Writers—or even both.

Two nights stand out in my memory beyond all others—the night I won the welterweight title, and the night I lost it.

In both cases, the full impact did not hit me until the following morning.

In Miami Beach I awoke a world champion, with the warm sunshine making me feel great. Life was wonderful.

On October 1 in New York I awoke in a world of desperate disappointment. I had beaten Paret again, but I had lost the championship in a split decision.

I felt cheated. I wanted to cry all over again. I had cried the night before. Yea, professional boxers can cry.

I remember how Gil Clancy and my co-manager, Howard Albert, broke into my dressing room after the fight and exclaimed, "Emile, *'you wuz robbed' without a gun.*"

I went home and lay awake all night, wondering if I had got the wrong slant on the fight. I said to myself, "Emile, you aren't the most unprejudiced judge. Take it easy. Study this thing out."

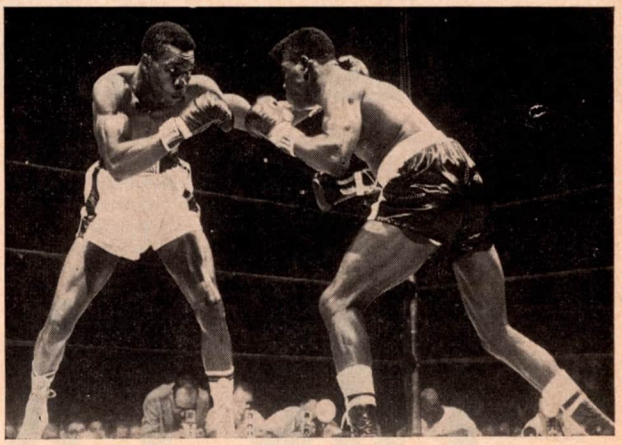
I studied the movies for a couple of nights. Then I went to a studio where they had the sound accompaniment. Every time I hit Paret he moaned or he grunted. I never let out a peep. I became convinced that I had hurt him, that I had landed the harder punches.

The only time Paret stung me was in the sixth round. I came back and banged him all over the ring.

In the seventh round you could hear Berl warn Paret about butting. He was not penalized for this.

Berl's card showed that he saw the fight precisely the way I

By
EMILE GRIFFITH
Ex-Welterweight Champion of the World



Griffith (right) moves in on Paret. *"I was the aggressor the whole fight. He held and butted, I had all the big rounds, yet he won,"* lamented Emile.

had seen it. But the judges did not see the fight as I fought it. I recommend that they watch the movies and see how wrong they went that night of September 30.

Albert refuses to watch the pictures again, and when Clancy sees them he goes into a rage.

I suffer, too, watching those movies. But it's my business and I must study them again and again to seek out something that might justify the difference of opinion between the referee and the judges. I watch the movies and the impact is as if I had been beaned with a bung starter.

Berl saw the fight as I fought it. He was in the ring with us and he must have known that Paret was stealing rounds from me by flailing away with both hands in what looked like good body punching.

In reality, they were punches lacking power. Paret was afraid to throw his body after his punches because he knew I would counter, possibly with the punch with which I stopped him at Miami Beach.

I outboxed and outpunched Paret down in Florida, and I did it all over again in New York.

I am convinced more than ever, and possibly chairman General Krulewitch of the New York Commission thinks as I do, that he should have regular briefing sessions for all ring officials to avoid a situation such as happened to me.

I was the better fighter inside, and yet Aidala and Castellano said that I lost the title.

Paret throws his punches out wide. I know that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line, and that's how I try to punch. I punched inside his blows and was much more effective.

If I meet Paret again I will box him more, since I am a harder puncher inside or out. Don't get the idea that I am running Benny down. He is a good fighter.

But I know that I can beat him any time we get into a ring.

I have worked hard and long to learn my profession, which I love, and I know that I have more things to learn. But I have learned enough to beat Paret.

Paret's legs are not good. I have far more speed. He comes straight at you. By sticking him and moving I can force him to move around, too, and tire faster.

Given another shot at the guy I will knock him out. This is not boasting, just a conviction based on what I have as against what he has.

Paret is not hard to hit. If I get him into a ring again I will not commit the error I perpetrated in the fourth round, when I had him out on his feet but failed to follow through.

The way I get it, they want Paret to fight Gene Fullmer for his half of the middleweight title, and if Benny is beaten he would take me on again.

I do not want this. I want to get the chance I deserve, before Paret fights Gene. If Fullmer beats him, and I regain the welter title, many experts will announce that Fullmer took so much out of Benny that he had little with which to fight me.

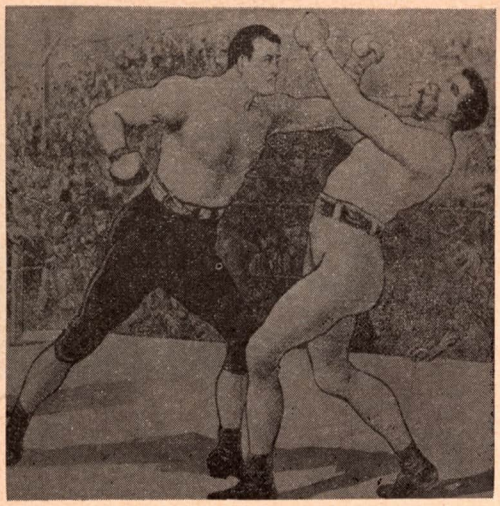
Paret would have about as much chance to beat Fullmer as he would to beat me.

A Paret-Griffith match now would make a hot fight. If Fullmer fights him first he will take a lot of heat out of another Paret match with me.

If Paret refuses to fight me again I may have to move up into the middleweight class. I do not want to do this. I make 147 pounds with ease. But I can't afford to sit around and get rusty —and miss pay days.

I hate to think of starting all over again in another class and go through the troubles which would confront me.

I want that welter title back *(Continued on page 43)*



From the start, in the heavyweight division, odds meant nothing as time and time again long shots came through to win the title. James J. Corbett, who brought a new scientific style to boxing, was a 4-1 underdog when he cut down the "Great John L." to win the title in twenty-one rounds at New Orleans. In that day 4-1 was tremendous odds.

THE PRICE NOT ALWAYS RIGHT

By LEW ESKIN

Short-Enders Have Won Almost as Often as Favorites in Heavyweight Title Bouts

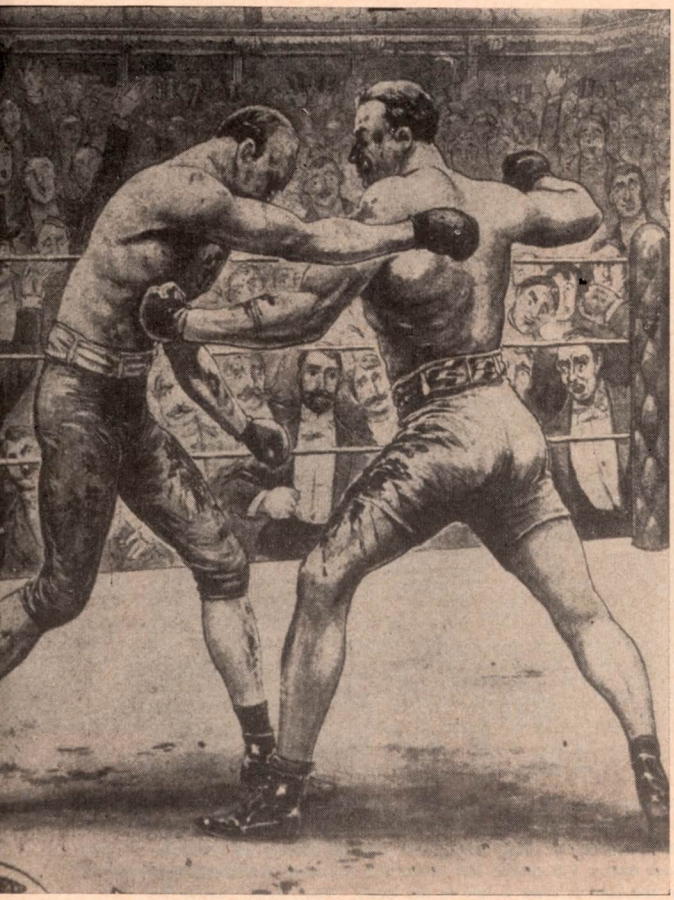
IN the long, colorful history of the heavyweight division the long shots have paid off their backers as often as the favorites. Only in the reign of Joe Louis did any champion ever stand off from the field and rule supreme. Joe was the only man in history of the division to be listed as the favorite in every championship bout in which he took part including the two times he was the challenger against James J. Braddock and Ezzard Charles.

These odds ranged from a slim 9-5 choice against Max Schmeling in their second fight to an unbelievable 20-1 against Harry Thomas, Gus Dorazio, Al McCoy and Tony Musto.

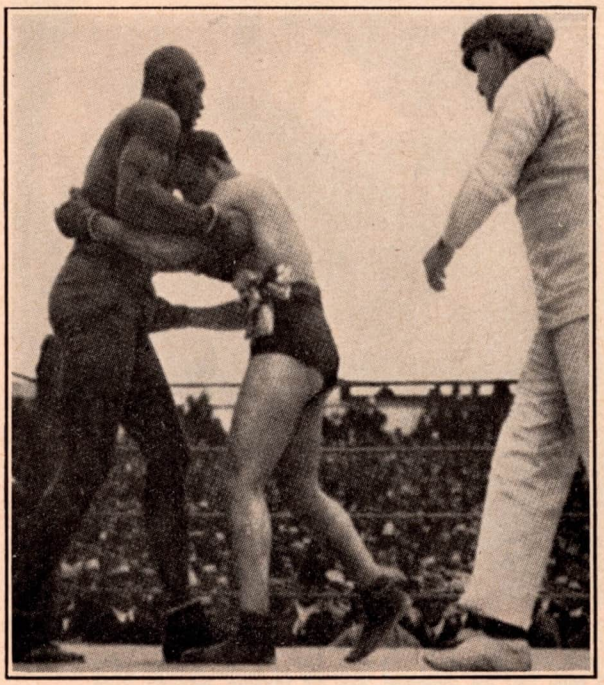
Louis, Max Baer, Ezzard Charles were the only three heavyweights to win their titles as favorites. The second Dempsey-Tunney fight was the only title fight that was listed as even money, while the Floyd Patterson-Pete Rademacher fight was the only contest that was "off the boards." It was what is known in the betting business as an "out fight".

Along with the underdogs who came through there were many long shots who almost came home. They were: Walcott 10-1 against Louis, Firpo 3-1 against Dempsey, Conn against Louis, 18-5, and Charles against Walcott in their last fight 4-1. Corbett at 5-1 against Jeffries in their Coney Island fight came close to adding to the skein of underdogs who won the heavyweight title.

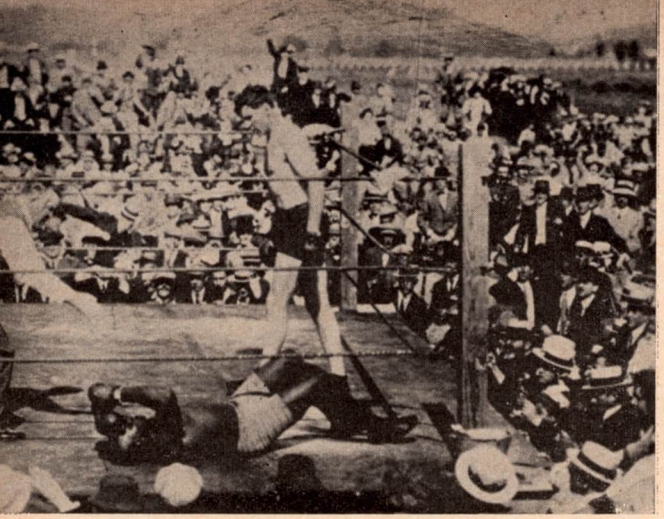
Although Corbett was only rated a 5-3 favorite when he faced Bob Fitzsimmons in Carson City in 1897, few gave the balding Cornishman a chance against the "Boxing Master" from San Francisco. But "Ruby Robert's" famous "Solar-Plexus" punch in the fourteenth round wrote a new chapter in ring history. Corbett had held the upper hand during the early part of the bout and had inflicted quite a bit of damage on Fitzsimmons with his left jabs until he was knocked out by Fitz.



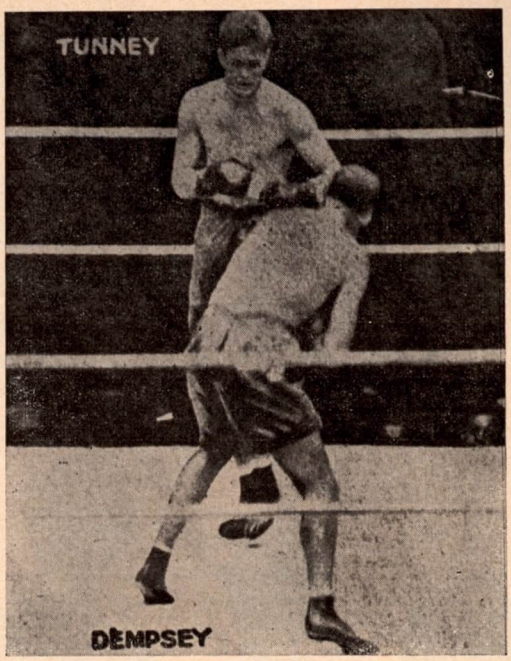
Two years later at Coney Island, Fitz was a 2-1 favorite over James J. Jeffries. Jim had 40 pounds on Bob but Fitzsimmons had whipped plenty of big ones and he was rated too fast and too smart for his younger and less experienced opponent. Jeffries' tremendous body blows weakened Fitz and he was counted out in the eleventh round. Once again the underdog triumphed.



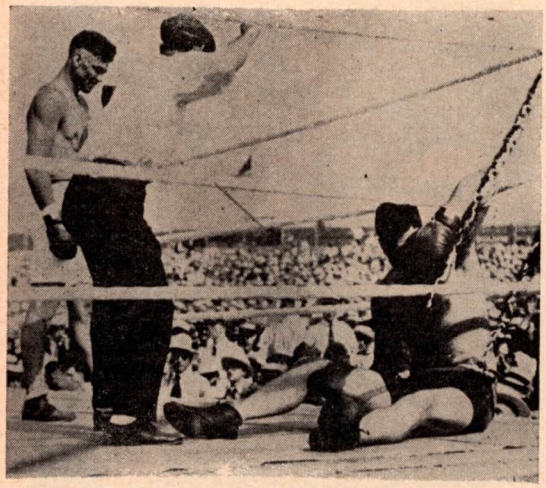
After Jeffries retired, Marvin Hart and then Tommy Burns laid claim to the heavyweight title. Burns traveled all over the world knocking over the champions of these foreign lands thereby earning world acclaim as the champion. Jack Johnson pursued Burns, challenging him for a world title match and in Sydney, Australia, on December 26, 1908 he caught up with Tommy and in the fourteenth round the police stopped the fight with Johnson the winner. At 3-2, underdog Jack was the first short price selection to win, the odds having shifted back and forth with first one then the other being listed as the favorite.



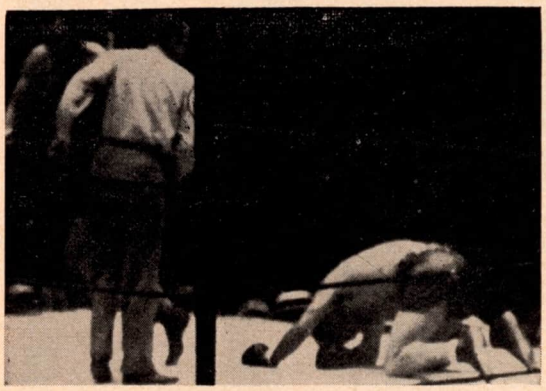
Johnson, still rated by many experts as our greatest heavyweight champion, was only an 8-5 choice over big Jess Willard when they clashed in Havana on April 5, 1915. Public sentiment brought forth a large amount of Willard money and Jess did not disappoint his followers as he wore down Johnson and stopped him in the twenty-sixth round. This bout with the famous photo (above) of Johnson shading his eyes from the sun and the Toledo Dempsey-Willard "loaded hands" story are the two most controversial fights in heavyweight title history. It is strange they both involved Willard, one of the least remembered of former champions.



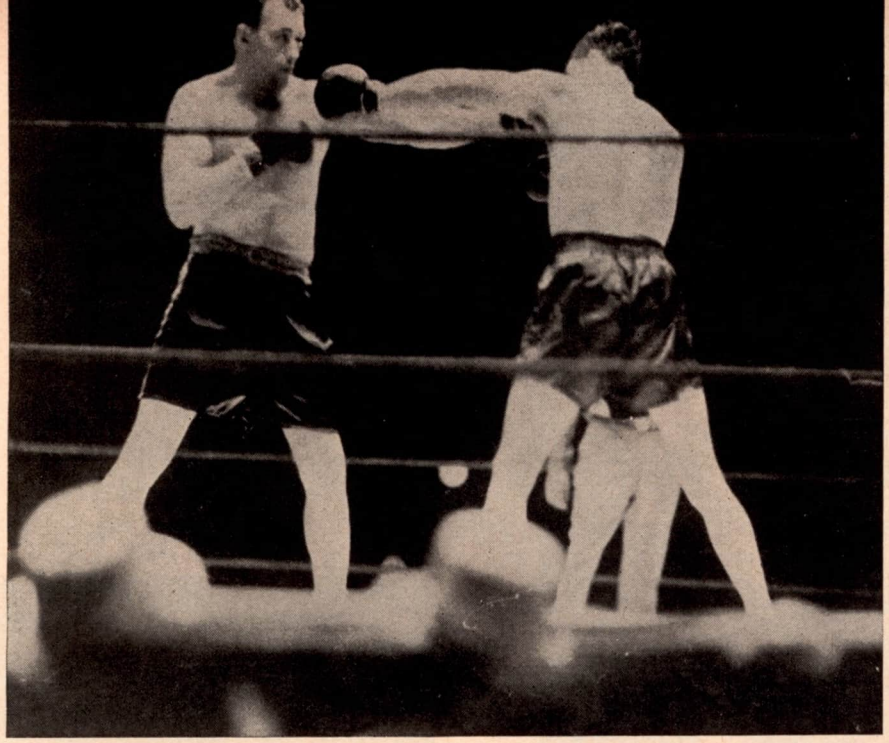
The "Manassa Mauler" was considered unbeatable when he faced Gene Tunney in Philadelphia on September 23, 1926. But Tunney was too swift and outsped the aging Dempsey to win the championship in the first ten-round bout in heavyweight title history. Jack had been rated an 11-5 choice over Gene and so unbelieving were the fans that he was an even money call when they clashed a year later in Chicago in the famous battle of the "Long Count".



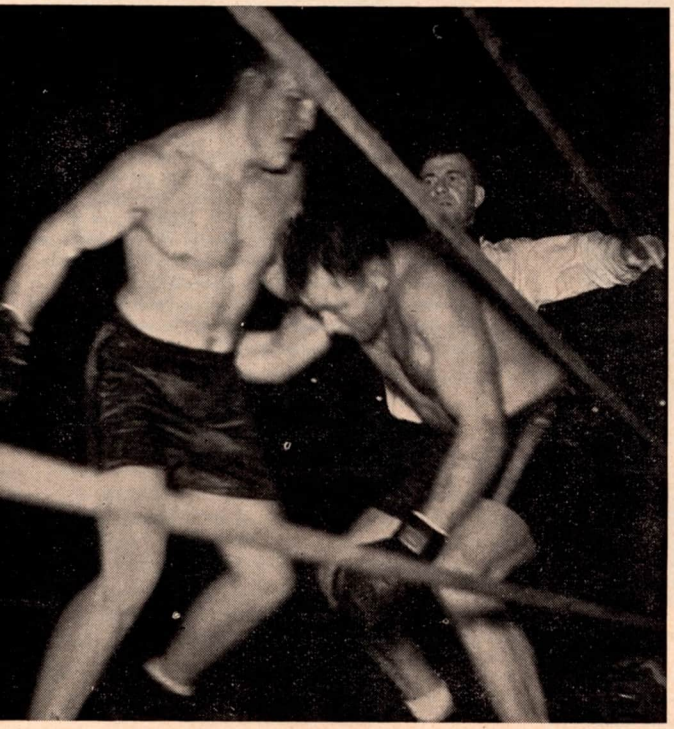
It is hard to believe that Dempsey was the underdog when he clashed with Willard, but he was. True it was only by a slim 6-5 edge that the champion was the favorite. Nothing could have stood before Jack that steaming July 4th afternoon in 1919 as he cut Jess to ribbons and stopped him in the rest period between the third and fourth rounds when the champion was unable to drag his battered body off the stool.



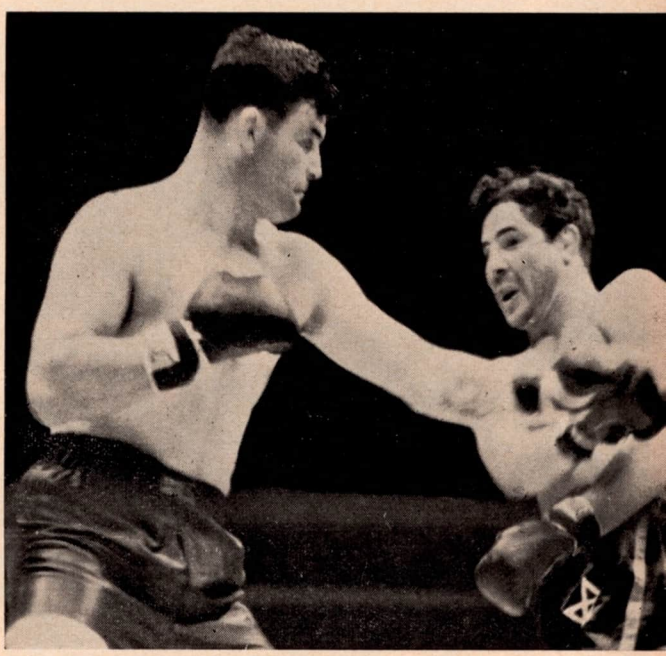
Tunney retired following his kayo of Tom Heeney and the final of the first elimination tournament in heavyweight history sent Jack Sharkey of America against Max Schmeling of Germany. Jack was a 9-5 choice, but in the fourth round Schmeling sank to the canvas from a left to the body. *"Foul, Foul,"* yelled his corner, and they were upheld by referee Jim Crowley. A new champion was crowned, the first and only man to win the heavyweight title on a foul.



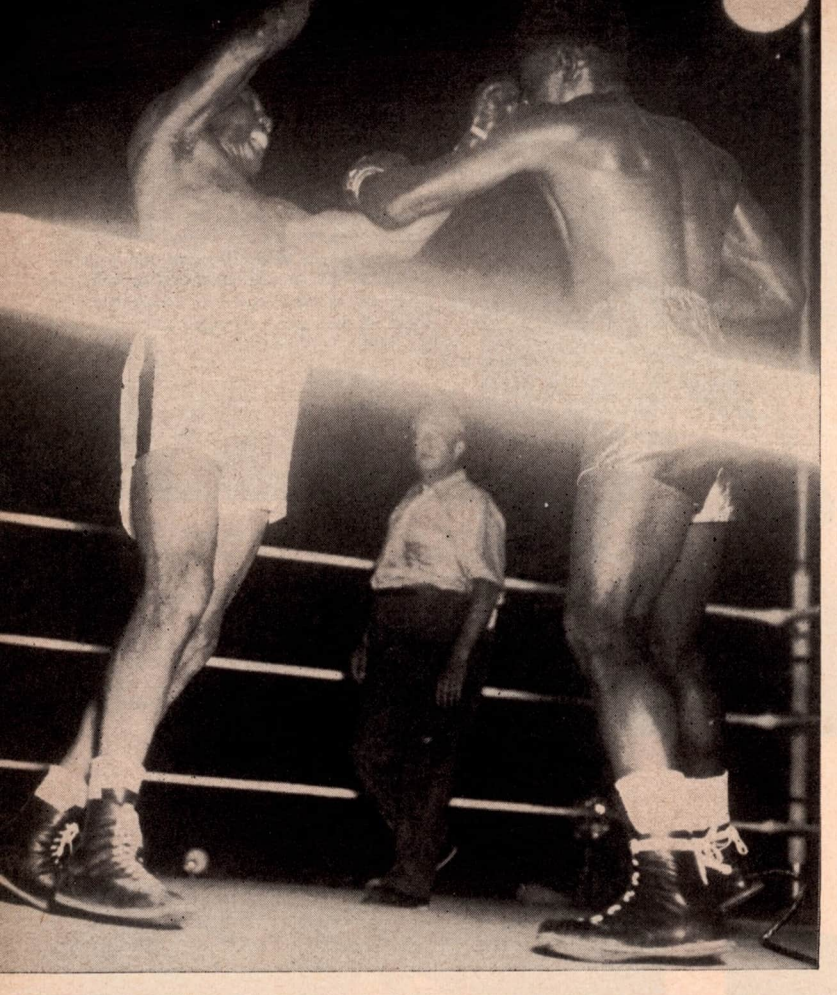
Two years later on June 21, 1932 in the Long Island Bowl, they clashed again. Max was the favorite by the slim margin of 6-5. The fight was as close as the odds and when it was over Sharkey was the new heavyweight champion of the world. The Bostonian had used his fine left jab and boxing skill to offset the hard punch of the German and won the verdict in the stadium that was to bear the name of the "Graveyard of Champions" because no champion ever successfully defended his title in the "Bowl".



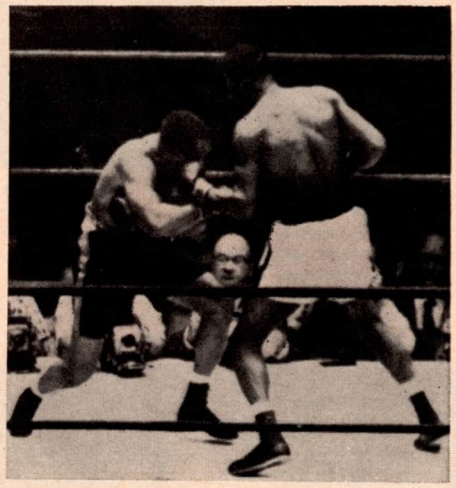
Just a little over a year later in the same arena Sharkey was shorn of his laurels when he was knocked out in the sixth round by Primo Carnera. Primo, who outweighed Sharkey by some sixty pounds, had been outclassed by Jack in a previous meeting and although he was only a 5-4 underdog in the betting it was his huge following among Italian-American fight fans that narrowed the odds.



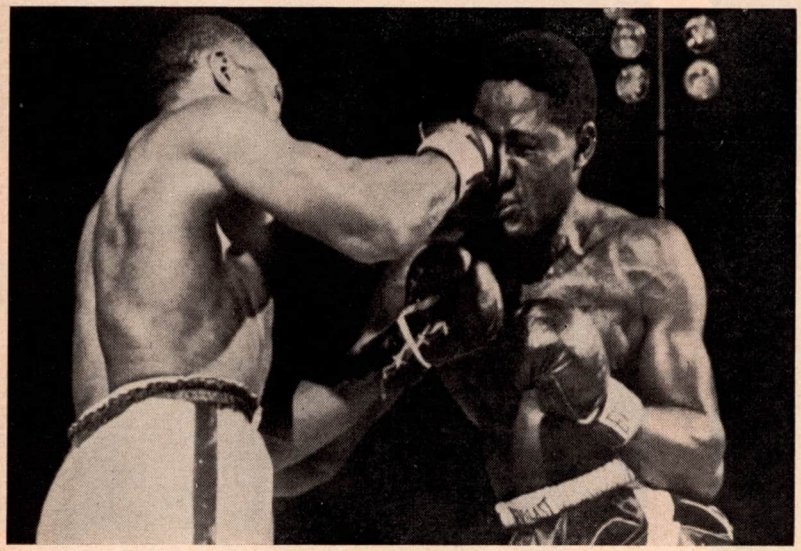
Carnera lost his title to Max Baer. A year later, Max became the first fighter to win the title as a favorite. He was tumbled from his throne in his first defense, when James J. Braddock, a long shot (at 10-1) outboxed and outfought the "clowning" Maxie to write the "Cinderella Man" chapter to the long and colorful history of boxing, Jim, who was considered washed up and unable to obtain fights only two short years before proving his brilliance that night against Baer in the ill-famous Long Island Bowl. Braddock's first defense came two years later in 1937, and became the second champion to enter the ring as an underdog and the odds of 5-2 proved correct as Joe Louis knocked him out in the eighth round in Chicago to begin the longest and most successful reign in heavyweight history.



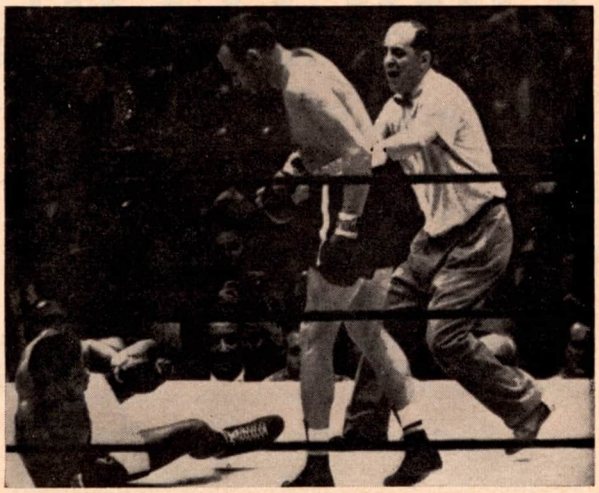
Following Louis' retirement in 1949, Ezzard Charles and Jersey Joe Walcott were matched for the vacant crown in Chicago on June 22, 1949. Charles was the favorite at 3-2, although most experts, remembering the three trips to the canvas Louis had taken in his fights with Walcott, picked Jersey Joe to win the title. Many felt he had won from Louis in their first fight. But Charles was too swift of hand and foot for Walcott and captured the verdict to be crowned as Joe Louis' successor. Charles was not given popular support until September, 1950, when he spoiled Louis' comeback by giving the former champion a sound drubbing in Yankee Stadium over fifteen rounds.



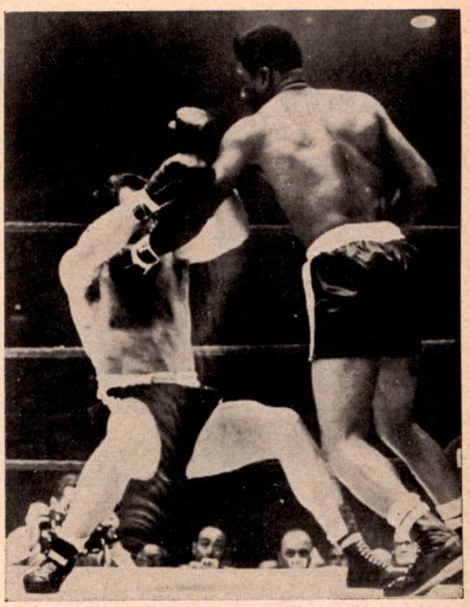
Rocky's retirement four years later found Archie Moore and Floyd Patterson matched in the final of an elimination tournament. Moore, the light heavyweight champion, was rated a slight choice at 6-5 over the former Olympic champion, but Patterson smashed him to the canvas three times and knocked him out in the fifth round. Moore's fine showing in his bout with Marciano a year before had earned him the role of favorite but it was Patterson who won the title on November 30, 1956.



Ezzard, trying to win the public to his side, put his title on the line eight times in two short years. Running out of opponents, he again faced Walcott, whom he had twice defeated, in Pittsburgh on July 18, 1951. Now two years older than when he was pegged to beat Charles and a long shot (6-1 underdog) Jersey Joe came through with one thunderous left hook to the jaw in the seventh round to at long last reign as heavyweight champion of the world. Walcott held the crown only fourteen months. He was knocked out by Rocky Marciano in Philadelphia in the thirteenth round. Marciano, the choice at 9-5, thus became the third man to unseat a champion as the favorite.



The "Thunderbolt of Thor", in the guise of Ingemar Johansson's right hand, sent Patterson crashing to the canvas seven times in the third round at Yankee Stadium on June 26, 1959 and the Swede became the heavyweight champion despite the fact that he was listed as a 4-1 underdog. The suddenness with which the ending came, after two calm rounds, was one of the greatest thrills in recent fistic history. A bolt out of the blue sent Patterson down. He got up and then the bouncing ball act began, up, down, up, down, up, down, up, down went Patterson until referee Ruby Goldstein stepped in and stopped the bout.



Less than a year later in the Polo Grounds, Floyd became the first man in the long history of boxing to do what was classed with the four minute mile and Ruth's 60 home runs. He regained the heavyweight title.

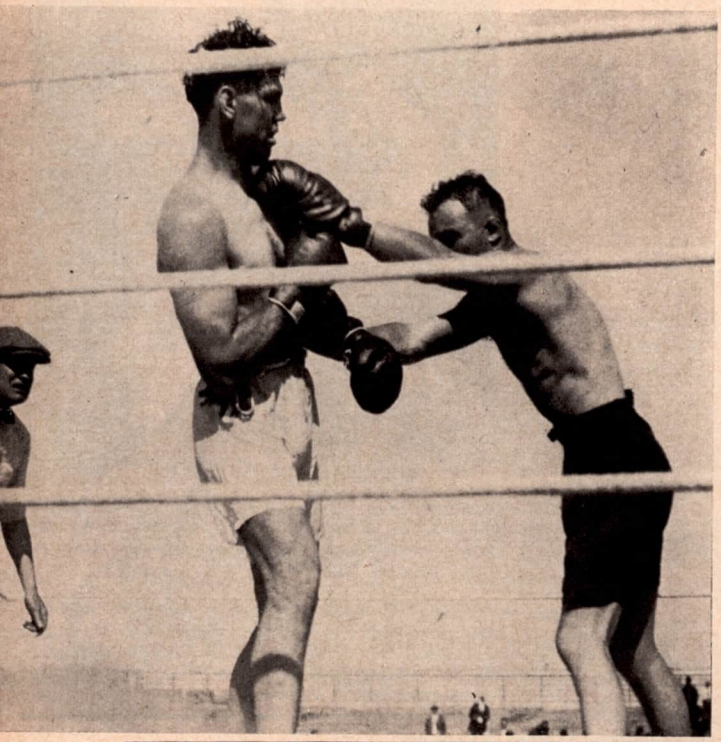
Fighting with great determination Patterson outfought Johansson from the start and knocked him out in the fifth round with a left hook to the jaw. The odds were 8-5 against Floyd doing the so-called impossible, but Floyd made boxing history.

Odds in Heavyweight Title Fights

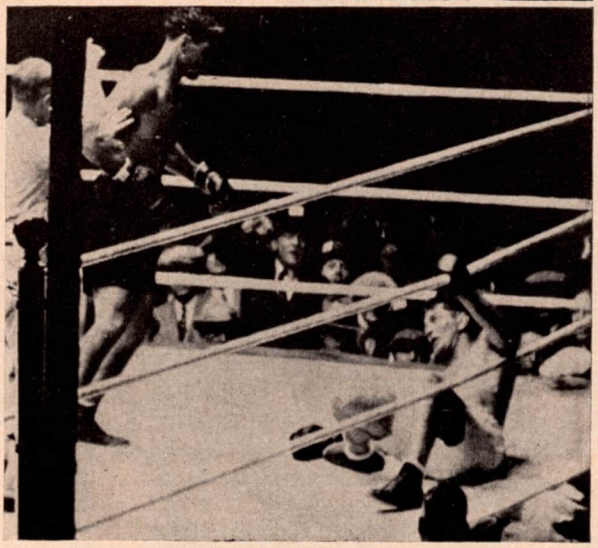
Contestants	Favorite	Odds
John L. Sullivan vs. Charley Mitchell		4 to 1
John L. Sullivan vs. James J. Corbett—Sullivan		4 to 1
James J. Corbett vs. Robert Fitzsimmons—Corbett		5 to 3
Robert Fitzsimmons vs. James J. Jeffries—Fitzsimmons		2 to 1
Tommy Burns vs. Jack Johnson—Burns		3 to 2
James J. Jeffries vs. Tom Sharkey		11 to 5
Jack Johnson vs. James J. Jeffries—Jeffries		10 to 7
Jess Willard vs. Jack Johnson—Johnson		8 to 5
Jack Dempsey vs. Jess Willard—Willard		6 to 5
Gene Tunney vs. Jack Dempsey (Philadelphia)—Dempsey		11 to 5
Gene Tunney vs. Jack Dempsey (Chicago)		even money
Gene Tunney vs. Tom Heeney—Tunney		15 to 1
Jack Dempsey vs. Georges Carpentier—Dempsey		3 to 1
Jack Dempsey vs. Luis Firpo—Dempsey		3 to 1
Jack Dempsey vs. Bill Brennan—Dempsey		4 to 1
Jack Dempsey vs. Billy Miske—Dempsey		7 to 1
Jack Dempsey vs. Tom Gibbons—Dempsey		11 to 5
Jack Sharkey vs. Max Schmeling (first)—Sharkey		9 to 5
Max Schmeling vs. Jack Sharkey (second)—Schmeling		6 to 5
Jack Sharkey vs. Primo Carnera—Sharkey		5 to 4
Primo Carnera vs. Tommy Loughran—Carnera		4 to 1
Primo Carnera vs. Max Baer—Baer		7 to 5
Max Baer vs. James J. Braddock—Baer		10 to 1
James J. Braddock vs. Joe Louis—Louis		5 to 2
Joe Louis vs. Tommy Farr—Louis		5 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Nathan Mann—Louis		12 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Harry Thomas—Louis		20 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Max Schmeling (second)—Louis		9 to 5
Joe Louis vs. John Henry Lewis—Louis		15 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Jack Roper—Louis		10 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Tony Galento—Louis		8 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Bob Pastor (second)—Louis		6 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Arturo Godoy (first)—Louis		10 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Arturo Godoy (second)—Louis		8 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Johnny Paychek—Louis		12 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Al McCoy—Louis		20 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Red Burman—Louis		10 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Gus Dorazio—Louis		20 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Abe Simon—Louis (first)		18 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Tony Musto—Louis		20 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Buddy Baer—Louis (first)		6 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Buddy Baer—Louis (second)		10 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Billy Conn (first)—Louis		18 to 5
Joe Louis vs. Billy Conn (second)—Louis		14 to 5
Joe Louis vs. Lou Nova—Louis		13 to 5
Joe Louis vs. Tami Mauriello—Louis		9 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Abe Simon (second)—Louis		8 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Joe Walcott (first fight)—Louis		10 to 1
Joe Louis vs. Joe Walcott (second fight)—Louis		13 to 5
Ezzard Charles vs. Joe Walcott (first)—Charles		3 to 2
Ezzard Charles vs. Gus Lesnevich—Charles		3½ to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Pat Valentino—Charles		5 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Freddy Beshore—Charles		5 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Joe Louis—Louis		2 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Nick Barone—Charles		5 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Lee Oma—Charles		5 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Joe Walcott (second)—Charles		5 to 1
Ezzard Charles vs. Joey Maxim—Charles		3 to 1
Joe Walcott vs. Ezzard Charles (fourth)—Charles		2 to 1
Joe Walcott vs. Rocky Marciano—Marciano		9 to 5
Rocky Marciano vs. Joe Walcott (second)—Marciano		3½ to 1
Rocky Marciano vs. Roland La Starza—Marciano		4 to 1
Rocky Marciano vs. Ezzard Charles—Marciano		7 to 2
Rocky Marciano vs. Ezzard Charles (second)—Marciano		4 to 1
Rocky Marciano vs. Don Cockell—Marciano		7 to 1
Rocky Marciano vs. Archie Moore—Marciano		4 to 1
Floyd Patterson vs. Archie Moore—Moore		6 to 5
Floyd Patterson vs. Tommy Jackson—Patterson		5 to 1
Floyd Patterson vs. Pete Rademacher—Patterson		*out fight
Floyd Patterson vs. Roy Harris—Patterson		4 to 1
Floyd Patterson vs. Brian London—Patterson		10 to 1
Floyd Patterson vs. Ingemar Johansson—Patterson		4 to 1
Ingemar Johansson vs. Floyd Patterson—Johansson		8 to 5
Floyd Patterson vs. Ingemar Johansson—Patterson		17 to 5
Floyd Patterson vs. Tom McNeeley—Patterson		8 to 1

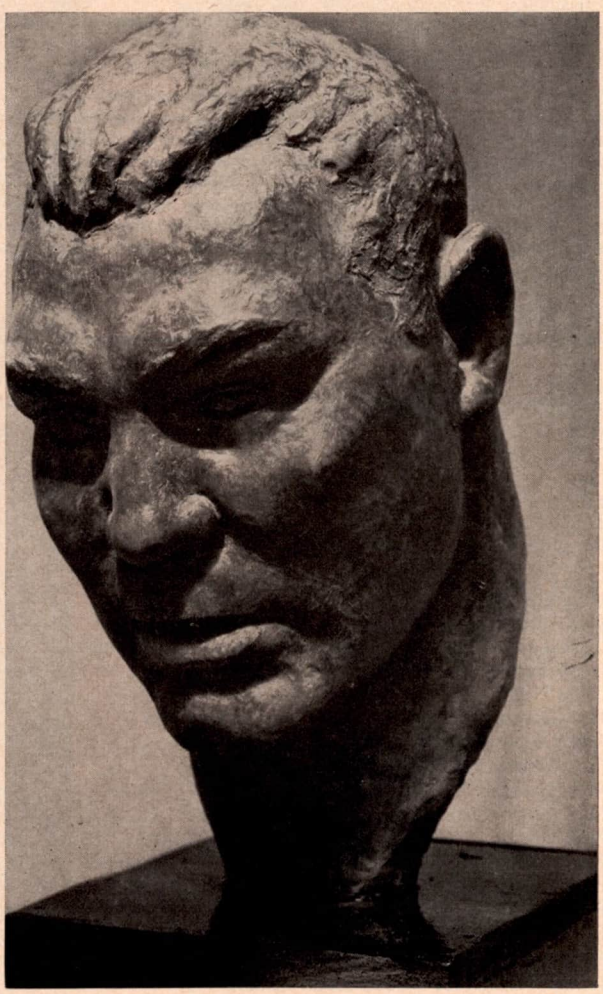
*Patterson was conceded to be such an overwhelming choice to win that for the first time in a world heavyweight title bout there were no "official" odds quoted on the fight.
These were the prevailing odds on the day of the fight, the lower odds being those quoted against the favorite.

DEMPSEY OVER-RATED?

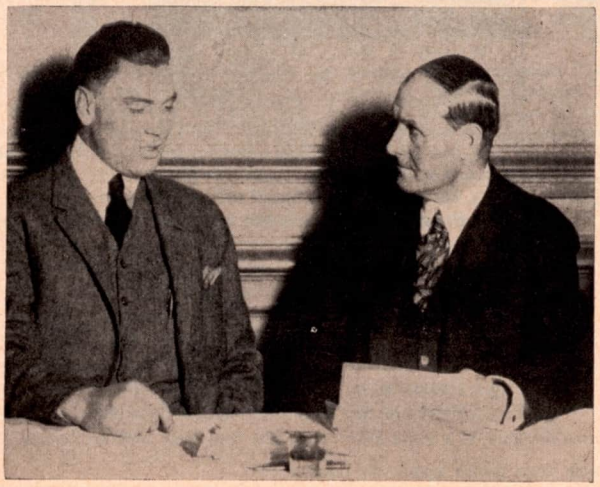


Dempsey is kept at long range by the long left jab of Tommy Gibbons during their fifteen rounder in Shelby, Montana, in which Gibbons, a light-heavyweight, went the limit and Jack was never able to floor or hurt his much smaller and older foe.





A Bust of the Manassa Mauler, showing the power and determination of the man. He was and is an idol.



(Left Middle Photo) The famous long count in the second Dempsey-Tunney fight. Gene has always maintained that he could have gotten up at any time but took full advantage of the referee's count and waited until the toll had reached nine before getting to his feet. In the next round he had Dempsey hurt.

(Left) Dempsey with Tex Rickard. Together they gave boxing its first Million Dollar gate. It was a combination of Jack's drawing power and Tex's showmanship that made them a great pair but Tex rated Jack behind Jeffries and Fitzsimmons as a fighter.

Fresh Evaluation Of Manassa Mauler Disputes Those Who Give Him Top All Time Spot

By DAN DANIEL

IN the study of history we have an important body of research experts who are called revisionists. One hundred or more years removed from a war or a President's administration they are able to judge events and men in a new and more reliable light.

There is some call for revisionists in boxing, too, and we are getting their expressions in various ways, some of them not too far in the past. But, on the whole, the revision has to be done and, conceivably, in years to come, the revisionists of today, in turn, will be further revised.

One of the many champions of the past who invites revision is Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion of the world from July 4, 1919, when he stopped Jess Willard in three rounds at Toledo, to September 23, 1926, when he was outpointed by Gene Tunney in ten rain-soaked rounds at Philadelphia.

To approach Dempsey with the critical eye and the sometimes unfair faculty of hindsight entails many hazards. For thousands and thousands of fight fans, Dempsey is the all time hero whose standing is beyond dispute, whose quality endures, whose power must remain unquestioned.

However, nowhere in the long list of great fighters, nowhere among the 70 who have been elected to the Hall of Fame, is there a pugilist who cannot be faulted on one score or another. Dempsey cannot be held up as the exception.

Dempsey did much for boxing, even as Babe Ruth did so much for baseball. The ring and the diamond needed these men badly in their times, and the two sports were eminently fortunate in getting their dramatic help.

The Ring's daily mail for years has stressed the fact that fight fans simply cannot solve for themselves the riddle of this question — Could Dempsey, in his prime, have stopped Joe Louis in his top form?

I cannot answer this, any more than anybody else can answer it.

But the question does send us back to other queries. Where, when and why was Dempsey at his best? On which fights does his reputation rest? When did he achieve his crest, when did he fall to his nadir? Just how good was Dempsey? Has Time over-rated him?

No man of these times can justify a halo, be it in life or business or in a sport. Dempsey is not the exception.

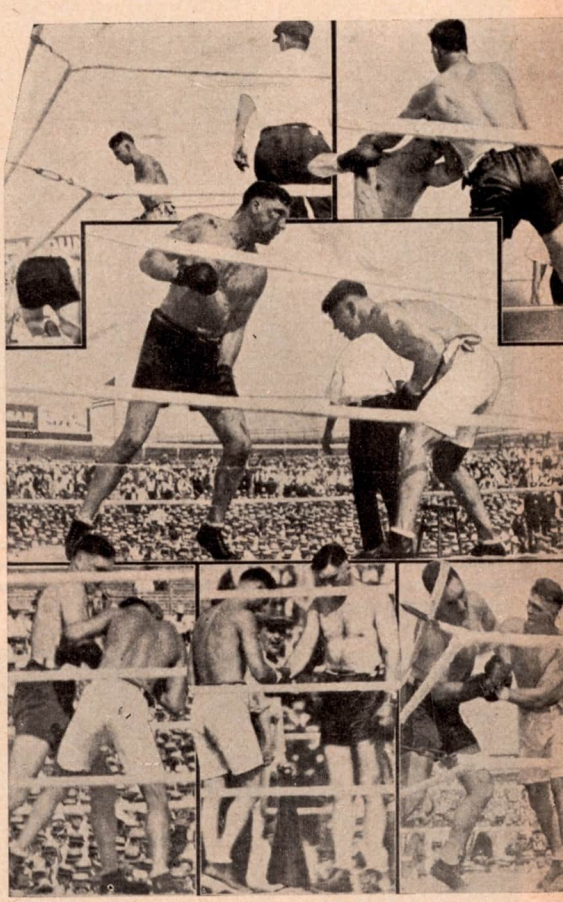
Going over his exploits and his failures, we find that there were four striking points of stark disappointment in a championship career lasting eight years.

I saw Dempsey beat Willard that terribly hot afternoon in Toledo. That Jack used plaster on his gloves appears to be a certainty. Jack Kearns has revealed that, and it now seems to be a set fact in fistic history.

However, I am not demeaning Jack's victory. I think he would have beaten Willard without the stone fists, but not, of course, in three rounds.

I came away from Toledo with the belief that I had seen a truly great fighter.

On December 4, 1920, in the old Garden in New York, I saw Dempsey take twelve rounds to stop Bill Brennan, who had to retire with a broken ankle. I suffered a severe disappointment. This was not the Dempsey of Toledo.



The Slaughter of Big Jess Willard was Jack's greatest triumph. However, to this day rumors persist that he had "loaded Gloves" in the Toledo contest. It is true that neither before or after did Dempsey display the savage power he did that hot July 4th afternoon.

The next time I saw Jack was on July 2, 1921, at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City. Dempsey outweighed George Carpentier by more than 15 pounds, and although he stopped the Orchid Man, the champion was staggered by a man who was no more than a heavy-middleweight. However, I am not faulting the onetime Kid Blackie for that one.

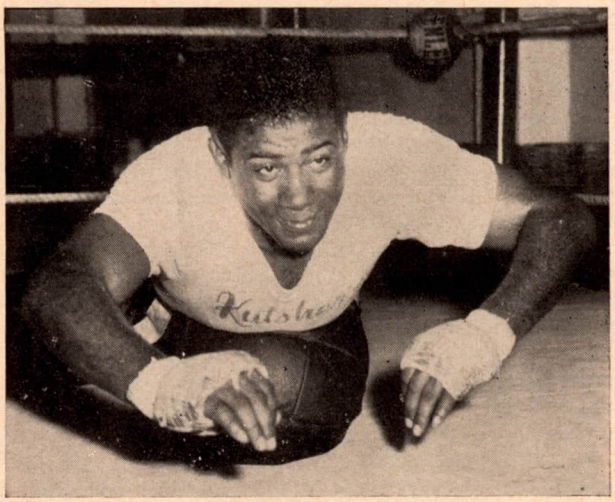
On July 4, 1923, at Shelby, Montana, Dempsey barely outpointed Tom Gibbons in fifteen rounds.

Dempsey was 28, Gibbons was 34. Only the previous March I had seen Tom, barely over the middleweight limit, lose a 15 round decision to Harry Greb. Had Harry been matched with Dempsey the critics would *(Continued on page 44)*

PATTERSON

(Above) Before leaving for the final stages of his training in Toronto Floyd enjoys a bit of fishing near his New York training camp with a group of his young fans. (Below) Floyd's charming wife Sandra will be on hand to root for her champion.

Trainer Dan Florio cools off Patterson after a hard workout. Floyd is an earnest and dilligent trainer whose condition paid off in his last fight with Johansson.



Hard work, a friend of Floyd's. Patterson has been in training since June and never is far from being in tip-top shape whether or not he has a fight scheduled.

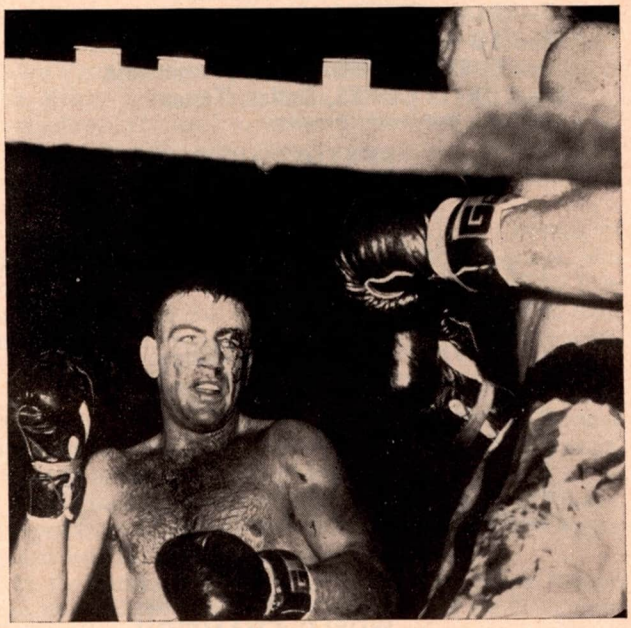
Here are some intimate shots of champion Patterson and a ringside photograph of his wife. Unlike most boxers' wives, Mrs. Patterson has no aversion to his career in the ring and she does not fear his serious injury.

Patterson always has been an advocate of long training regimens. In fact, he never blows himself to a real letdown. Between matches he slackens his daily labors. But once he has another fight in prospect, Floyd gets going again at top speed. This is known as the Cus D'Amato School of ring conditioning.

For relaxation, Patterson reads. But, as he explains, he reads everything except stories about boxing. And he does a lot of fishing.

McNEELEY

Tom McNeeley, who like Patterson, has been in training since the summer, chopping wood as a physical conditioner. Tom's style in the ring is like that of a lumber-jack. (Below). McNeeley's only showing on TV before the Patterson fight saw him stop tough George Logan in Madison Square Garden. Tom's punches opened a deep cut over Logan's eye causing the fight to be halted.



(Above) Tom takes some time out from training to help his wife Nancy give Tom III a spot of lunch. (Below) Mrs. McNeeley, the former "Miss New Hampshire" is wearing a crown, something that Tom vowed to match by winning the heavyweight tiara.

The four McNeeley shots shown on this page depict Tom in various aspects of his daily regimen as he approached the fight with Patterson.

In two of the photographs McNeeley's domestic life is depicted, one as he feeds Thomas McNeeley, 3rd, with wife Nancy looking on, and another as Nancy admires the glove which encloses the right hand with which her husband was plotting victory over the world champion.

Just how destructive Tom can be in a fight is shown in the shot of George Logan taking it from McNeeley in the New York Garden. McNeeley won by a knockout.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

World Ratings for the Month Ending November 22, 1961

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Rockville Centre, **N. Y.**

1—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Portland, Oregon
3—**HENRY COOPER,** England
4—**ALEJANDRO LAVORANTE,** Argentina
5—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
6—**ROBERT CLEROUX,** Canada
7—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, **Ariz.**
8—**CLEVELAND WILLIAMS,** Houston, **Tex.**
9—**TOM McNEELEY,** Arlington, Mass.
10—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TERRY DOWNES, England

*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, **Utah**
2—**PAUL PENDER,** Brookline, Mass.
3—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
4—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, **N. Y.**
5—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ, Cuba**
6—**HENRY HANK,** Detroit, **Mich.**
7—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, **Pa.**
8—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini
9—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, **Ore.**
10—**FARID SALIM,** Argentina

* NBA Middleweight Champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, **La.**

1—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. **Y.**
2—**DAVEY CHARNLEY,** England
*3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, **Ill.**
5—**DOUG VAILLANT,** Cuba
6—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, **Mich.**
7—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
8—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
9—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, **Pa.**
10—**BERT SOMODIO,** Philippines

* NBA Junior Lightweight Champion

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EDER JOFRE, Brazil

*1—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
2—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
3—**PIERRE COSSEMYNS,** Belgium
4—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
5—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
7—**IGNACIO PINA,** Mexico
6—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
8—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
9—**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
10—**CUERVO SALINAS,** Mexico

* Recognized by Europe as Champion

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, **Calif.**

*1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, **Pa.**
2—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N. Y.
3—**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy
4—**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
5—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
6—**VON CLAY,** Philadelphia, Pa.
7—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
8—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
9—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami, **Fla.**
10—**MAURO MINA,** Peru

* NBA Light Heavyweight Champion

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BENNY PARET, Cuba

1—**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N. **Y.**
2—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, **La.**
3—**JORGE FERNANDEZ,** Argentina
4—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
*5—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
6—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
7—**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
8—**TED WRIGHT,** Detroit, **Mich.**
9—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
10—**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, **Texas**

* NBA Junior Welterweight Champion

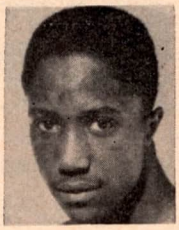
FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, **O.**

1—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
2—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
3—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
4—**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
5—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
6—**KAZUO TAKAYAMA,** Japan
7—**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**JET BALLY,** Philippines
9—**LALO GUERRERO,** Mexico
10—**JOSE LUIS CRUZ,** Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand

1—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
2—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
3—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
4—**SALVATORE BURRUNI, Italy**
5—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentina
6—**KYO NOGUCHI,** Japan
7—**CHUCHO HERNANDEZ, Mexico**
8—**JEAN GUERARD,** France
9—**CHARTICHAI LAMPHAFA,** Thailand
10—**FIGHTING HARADA,** Japan

DAVEY MOORE, FIGHTER OF THE MONTH



THE fourth successful title defense by Davey Moore, who gained the unanimous decision over Kazuo Takayama of Japan in Tokyo, makes Davey "The Ring's" Boxer of The Month.

Although Zora Folley defeated Sonny Moore, he failed to advance. The activity in the heavyweight division prior to going to press was almost at a standstill so far as the top men were concerned, hence there are no changes listed in that class.

Inactive Chic Calderwood of Scotland dropped from fifth to seventh post in the light heavyweight division, Erich Schoppner of Germany replacing him. He defeated Hans Kalbfell. Von Clay, victor over Billy Hunter, whom he stopped in the eighth round, advanced from seventh to sixth. Those were the only changes made in that class.

Joey Giardello of Philadelphia who has been up and down the ladder in the middleweight ranks, moved from eighth to seventh following his second triumph over Jesse Smith. He traded posts with Yama Bahama of Bimini, who defeated Gaylord Barnes, an inferior opponent. Farid Salim of Argentina, who scored over the high ranking Ted Wright, replaced inactive Hank Casey of Richmond, California in tenth position.

Gasper Ortega of Mexico continued his climb. He moved into sixth post, replacing Wright, who following his defeat by Salim, who dropped to eighth. British Empire champion Brian Curvis of Wales, who stopped Mickey Leahy, advanced from ninth to seventh.

Federico Thompson of Argentina, took Curvis' place in the ninth spot, one below what Thompson previously had held. Ortega defeated Kid Rayo and stopped Tony Coleman in welter action.

In the lightweight class Doug Vaillant of Cuba, who stopped Mauro Vasquez, moved up from sixth to fifth, switching places with Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., L. C. Morgan of Youngstown, O., loser to welter Bruno Visitin of Italy, was eliminated from the international rankings and his tenth place was taken by Bert Somodio of Manila who lost the decision in a world championship match, to Joe Brown.

European champion featherweight Gracieux Lamperti of France, an upset loser to Jet Bally of the Philippines, was dropped from third to fifth, enabling Sergio Caprari of Italy and Howard Winstone of Wales, each to gain a peg to third and fourth place, respectively. Bally has joined the ranking ten, in eighth position.

Another newcomer, Lalo Guerrero, Mexican champion who kayoed Juan Ramirez, has taken Juan's ninth post. Ramirez and inactive Herman Duncan of Los Angeles, have been removed from the ratings to make way for Bally.

Jose Luis Cruz of Mexico, loser to lightweight Eddie Garcia, dropped from seventh to tenth. Danny Valdez of Los Angeles, gained a notch, up from eighth to seventh.

In the bantam class, Freddie Gilroy of Ireland, lost his seventh position, trading with Leo Espinosa of the Philippines. Leo now is in sixth and Freddie in eighth place. Cuervo Salinas of Mexico, winner over Edmundo Esparza of Mexico, replaced his victim in tenth post.

With Mitsunori Seki of Japan now fighting as a bantam, Salvatore Burruni of Italy, European champion, advanced from sixth to fourth in the flyweight division. Pascual Perez of Argentina, former world title holder, is ranked fifth with Kyo Noguchi of Japan, Chucho Hernandez of Mexico, Jean Guerard of France and Chartichai Lamphafa of Thailand, each upped one notch. The Thai boy is eighth and Noguchi, fifth.

Fighting Harada of Japan, is our new occupant of the tenth position.

Here are the month's results:

PROSPECTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Herb Siler, Miami, Fla.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—John Peters, Lubbock, Texas
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Bernie McGlinchy, Philadelphia, Pa.
WELTERWEIGHT—John Newman, Los Angeles, Calif.
LIGHTWEIGHT—Brian O'Shea, Chicago, Ill.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Bobby Davies, England
BANTAMWEIGHT—Mike Gallo, San Francisco, Calif.
FLYWEIGHT—Vicente Garcia, Mexico

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley outpointed Sonny Moore, 10.

Karl Mildenberger outpointed Wayne Bethea, 10. Bethea beat Frankie Daniels, 10. Billy Hunter was kayoed by light heavy Von Clay, 8.

Tony Alongi defeated George Logan, 10. Jim Cooper defeated Ray Shiel, 10. Ray Batey stopped Alex Miteff, 4.

Thad Spencer whipped Dave Furch, 10.

Billy Daniels defeated John Massey, 6, and Jefferson Davis, 10. Tony Hughes defeated Rodolfo Diaz, 8, and Claude Chapman, 10. Claude beat Obie Rhodes, 6. Mino Bozzano stopped Alain Cherville, 7.

Tod Herring stopped Leslie Bordon, 5. Cecil Gray kayoed Gordie McDougall, 8. Lou Bailey defeated Hastings Hart, 6. Bill McMurray kayoed Jackie Torme, 3. Bill McMurray defeated Bob Tanner, 6. Orie Paschall defeated Willie Bell, 8.

Eddie Shaw and Tom Cummins drew, 8. Richie Peters won over Carl Looney, 6. Lars Norling defeated Klaus Hessmann, 8. Don Prout beat Clay Thomas, 8, and Abe Davis, 8. Willie Williams defeated Art Hayse, 6.

Hugh McDonald stopped Clay Penton, 6. Jose Castro kayoed Jose Babun, 3. Luther Murphy won over Dick Hamlett, 6. Chino Garza kayoed Bernardo Lozano, 3. Earl Atley won from Joe DiGrazio, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Giulio Rinaldi kayoed Rudi Nehring, 4.

Von Clay stopped heavyweight Billy Hunter, 8.

Erich Schoppner won from Hans Kelbfell, 10. Allen Harmon outpointed Freddie Blades, 10. Mauro Mina kayoed Roque Maravilla, 5.

Bobo Olson outpointed Sixto Rodriguez, 10. Lino Rendon stopped Rory Calhoun, 2. Junior Washington defeated Jesse Bowdry, 10. Leroy Green stopped Bobby Boyd, 10. Gregorio Peralta whipped Jose Manzur, 10.

Dean Bogany defeated Yancy D, 10. Bobby Stiniato beat Jimmy Christopher, 8. Moussa Sangaree upset Wladis Kopec, 10. Henry Scott kayoed Yolande Pompey, 1. Ted Williams halted Abe Davis, 5.

Perico Andrade kayoed Baby Hernandez, 6. Dave Russell defeated Sammy Jordan, 8, but lost to Cliff Murkey, 6. Renato Moraes stopped Ottavio Panunzi, 7, and Gino Rossi, 3. Basil Arsenault kayoed Frankie Pilgrim, 2.

Tom Gerarde outpointed Eugene Duncan, 6. Clay Thomas whipped Ray Drayton, 8. Johnny Gordon kayoed Dick Peters, 6. Jack McCracken defeated Lee Ballard, 6. Bobo Olson stopped Yancey D, 8.

Richie Harrison kayoed Cleo Daniels, 3. Mike Pusitari kayoed Hank Jones, 1. Tommy Caldwell stopped Duke Smith, 4.

Levi Forte bested Jim McNeil, 6. Jimmy Robinson defeated Tommy Lee, 6. Johnny Evans halted Mick Murphy, 2.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Henry Hank kayoed light heavy Jerry Luedee, 7.

Yama Bahama defeated Gaylord Barnes, 10.

Joey Giardello defeated Jesse Smith, 10. Chris Christensen kayoed Harko Kokmeyer, 1. Holly Mims defeated Al Avant, 10. Victor Zalazar defeated Andres Selpa, 10. Gomeo Brennan halted Charlie Cotton, 5.

Tuna Scanlan kayoed Johnny Smith, 12. Johnny had stopped Peter Read, 2.

Argentine champion Farid Salim whipped Ted Wright, 10. Dulio Nunez whipped Willie Davis, 10. Gene Benton stopped Chico Corsey, 3. Jose Torres stopped George Price, 2. Joe DeNucci halted Buddy Cochran, 3.

Mel Collins scored over Duane Horsman, 10. Armand Vanucci upset Jean Ruellet, 10. Gert Van Heeden defeated Gerry McNally, 10. Belgian champion Richard Bouchez retained his title stopping Bob Stevens, 4. Masao Gondo kayoed Sema Tributar, 5.

Blair Richardson kayoed Floyd McCoy, 3. Ramon Hernandez whipped Everado Armenta, 10. Santiago Gutierrez whipped Harold Redman, 10. Joe DeNucci kayoed Kenny Shea, 2. Hugo Koehler beat Mohamed Sahib, 8. Dave Brown halted Terry Smith, 2. Johnny Tucker defeated Johnny Alford, 6.

George Aldridge kayoed Egon Thomson, 3. Miguel Angel Aguero kayoed Antonio Barrera, 3. Allen Thomas stopped Ernie Burford, 6. Tony Montano defeated Mel Ferguson, 10. Marty Feldman defeated Tommy Caldwell, 6.

Harry Tetlow and Josh Thomas, drew, 8. Lonnie Rufus and Freddie Garcia, drew, 6. Fred Roots kayoed Tony Dominguez, 2. Gene Bryant bested Bucky Bellamy, 6, and halted LaVerne Williams, 3, while Buck was stopped by Leonard Coleman, 2.

Frank Niblett stopped Moses Cooper, 4. Kid Hurricane stopped Al Walker, 3. Gene Hymel kayoed Sammy Glasscutt, 1. Frank Church kayoed George Scott, 4. Don Edmunds and Hal Dereoun, drew, 6.

Johnny Cunningham defeated Carlin Scott, 6. Tony Fortunato kayoed Nick Dallava, 1. Bernie McGlinchy defeated Joe McIntyre, 6. Frank Patterson kayoed Tommy Lee, 2. Kostos Orfanakos defeated Felix Santiago, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Emile Griffith halted Stanford Bulla, 4.

Luis Rodriguez stopped Joe Gonzalez, 6. Ralph Dupas outpointed Hilario Morales, 10. Virgil Akins and Stefan Redl, drew, 10.

Gaspar Ortega defeated Kid Rayo, 10, and kayoed Tony Coleman, 3.

British Empire Champion Brian Curvis retained his title stopping Mick Leahy, 8. Federico Thompson defeated Alberto Paz, 10. Bruno Visintin outscored L. C. Morgan, 10. Rodolfo Diaz outpointed Don Jordan, 10.

Battling Torres kayoed Antonio Marcilla, 7. Charley Scott outpointed Gerry Black, 12. Stan Harrington won from Frankie Ramirez, 10. Charley Smith halted Bobby Sanders, 12.

Albert Carroll won on a disqualification over Wally Swift, 3. Ricardo Falech stopped Angel Ahumada, 2. Gary Cowburn defeated Ray Greco, 12.

Luis Foliedo kayoed Lelo Suarez, 5. Dave Cervantes stopped Cisco Martinez, 4. Jimmy McGrail kayoed Ricky McMasters, 1.

Keith Lewis stopped George Kraal, 10. Juan Carlos Ducay defeated Raul Roldan, 10. Sugar Cliff and Vince Bonomo, drew, 10.

Vince Bonomo halted Bob Thompson, 4, and beat Henry Ferguson, 10. Gildo Montoya whipped Marcelo Vargas, 10. Vince Shomo decisioned Roger Harvey, 8. Nolan Duplessis and Rip Randall, 10.

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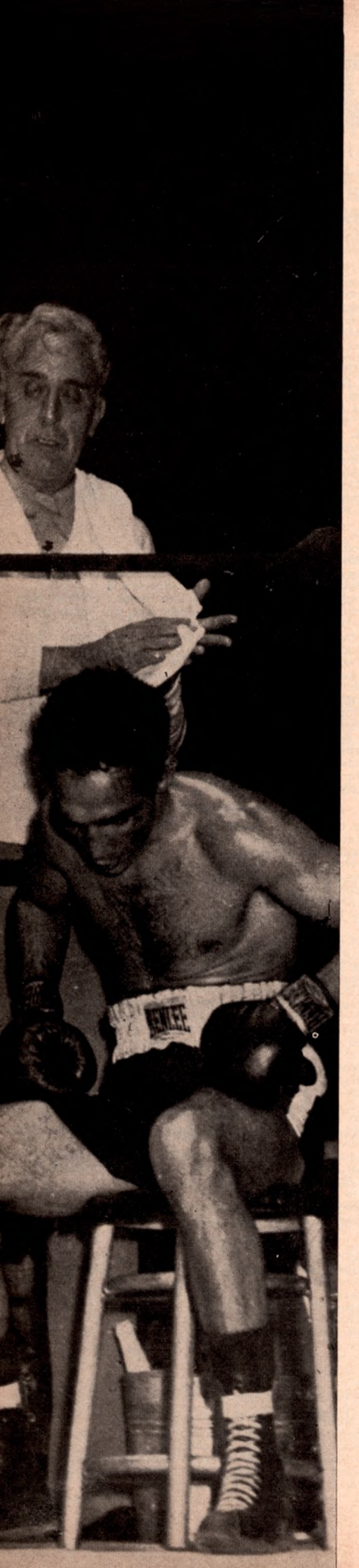


BOXING fans throughout America still are puzzled, and even disturbed, over Paul Pender's "retiring" under fire. As they interpret the stories that came over the cables from London, the clever Boston middleweight surrendered the world title to England's Terry Downes when still able to defend it.

Our British cousins are more charitable. They are also elated that one of their own holds a world championship, and they did see the fight. Few Americans were at the ringside, although two, Nat Fleischer, publisher of THE RING, and Harry Markson, head of Madison Square Garden's boxing department, qualify as expert observers.

Fleischer's report on the fight has been published and it is not our intention to review the contest. What we are concerned with is the reaction here, and the rather general feeling among Americans fans that Pender let them down.

"Pender had a big ninth round," Markson said on his return from London." *"When the referee stopped the bout I thought he was going to award it to Pender."*

The decision, as it turned out, was not the referee's to make. It had been made by Pender in his corner. He had decided to fight no more.

RETURN FIGHT DEAL MADE BRITONS SUSPICIOUS

For a boxer to "retire" when he becomes convinced he cannot win is not uncommon in Queen Elizabeth's tight little island. It is the thing to do in certain circumstances.

What made the British press suspicious was the existence of a return bout contract. When Downes gets around to making his first defense it must be against the former champion, in his native Boston.

Such agreements are standard practice, and generally accepted in the United States. Even so they are not recognized by some Commissions, including the New York board. In an anti-trust ruling by a Federal Court, Madison Square Garden is forbidden to enter into return bout contracts with champions.

The scar tissue around Pender's eyes had been disturbed, he was bleeding, and there is evidence that he had been stricken with a virus a day or two prior to the fight. He alone knows how he felt at the moment, and his decision to "retire" may have been a wise one.

There is no proof, and nothing in the record, to indicate that Pender loaned Downes the title. I do not believe he chucked it in the belief it would be better to fight another day. The public reaction no doubt surprises him, but to sum up the feeling generaly, *"he didn't pay the price."*

A champion is suppose to go down fighting. He is suppose to take it when his time comes, and it is difficult to imagine the other middleweight champion, Gene Fullmer, who is recognized by the National Boxing Association, "surrendering" until he is stretched on the canvas, not hearing the count or physically unable to pull himself to his feet.

In many respects John L. Sullivan was the ring's first champion. Nothing became him more than his parting words on losing the heavyweight crown to James J. Corbett.

WILLARD VS. DEMPSEY AN ANALOGOUS CASE

After four men had tried to lift him from the floor, where he was sitting, John L. got to his knees, then his feet. He staggered to the ropes, and lifting a hand declared:

"All I have to say is I came into the ring once too often, and if I had to get licked, I am glad that it was by an American. I remain yours truly, John L. Sullivan."

And so he has remained down through the years.

In more modern times, on a hot Fourth of July in sun baked Toledo, Jess Willard sat on a stool while a second, Ike O'Neil, tossed in a towel. Never before, or since, has the heavyweight title changed hands in such fashion, but those who questioned Jess' courage demeaned themselves. No fighter ever took the beating Willard took from Jack Dempsey that day.

Willard was knocked down seven times and counted out in the first round before it was discovered time had run out before Referee Ollie Pecord had reached 10. Dempsey's hand had been raised in victory, and he had left the ring, only to be brought back. The slaughter continued for two more rounds, although there were no more knockdowns. With the end of the third Jess could fight no more.

Willard, unable to lift his head as he slumped on his stool, called the referee over and indicated he could not come out for the fourth. It was then O'Neil tossed the towel.

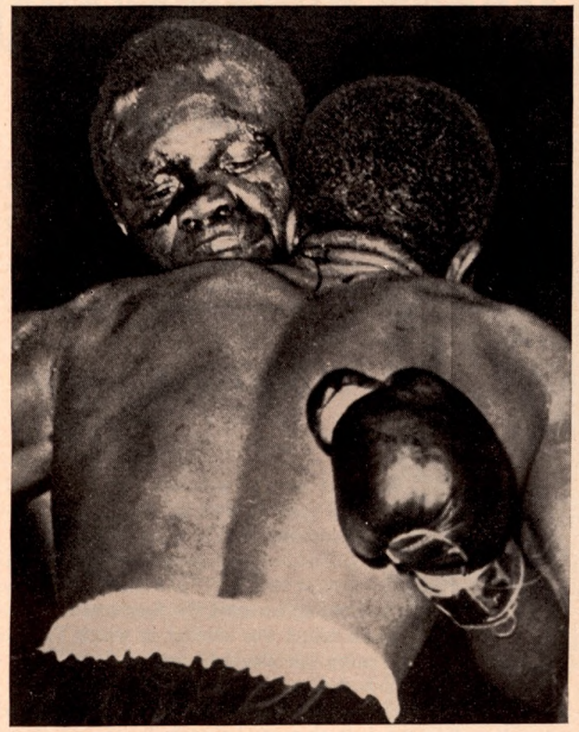
Thoughtless, heartless people called him a "quitter," as he stumbled from the ring, an eye closed, his hearing impaired and his jaw broken. What more did they expect? Had he continued, assuming he could, Willard might have been killed.

Dempsey's time was to come, as it does to all champions. Following his second defeat by Gene Tunney he explained it saying: *"I forgot to duck."* That is the way a champion is suppose to lose.

Willie Pep sat dejectedly on his stool as he announced he was unable to continue after nine rounds in his fight with Sandy Saddler in their fourth meeting on September 26, 1951 in the Polo Grounds. Pep had done well in the early rounds but faded under Saddler's strong body attack and finally surrendered.

"I SURRENDER"

By Al Buck
(The New York Post)



Hogan (Kid) Bassey, his face smeared with blood from cuts around both eyes was forced to quit in his corner after the thirteenth round causing him to lose his world featherweight crown to Davey Moore in Los Angeles. The date was March 18, 1959.

RAY FAILED TO ANSWER MAXIM BELL

On a hot night at the Yankee Stadium another world middleweight champion sat on his stool and failed to answer the bell for the round coming up. Sugar Ray Robinson, in my opinion the greatest all around fighter of his era, was giving up his quest of the light-heavyweight crown just as it appeared to be within his reach.

In the other corner Joey Maxim leaped with joy. He had retained the title that seemed lost only a few rounds before.

The decision to "retire" was not Sugar Ray's. He was incapable of making a decision. Completely out of his head, a silly smile on his face, Robinson was a victim of heat prostration. In the dressing room afterward he raved and ranted, even abused close friends.

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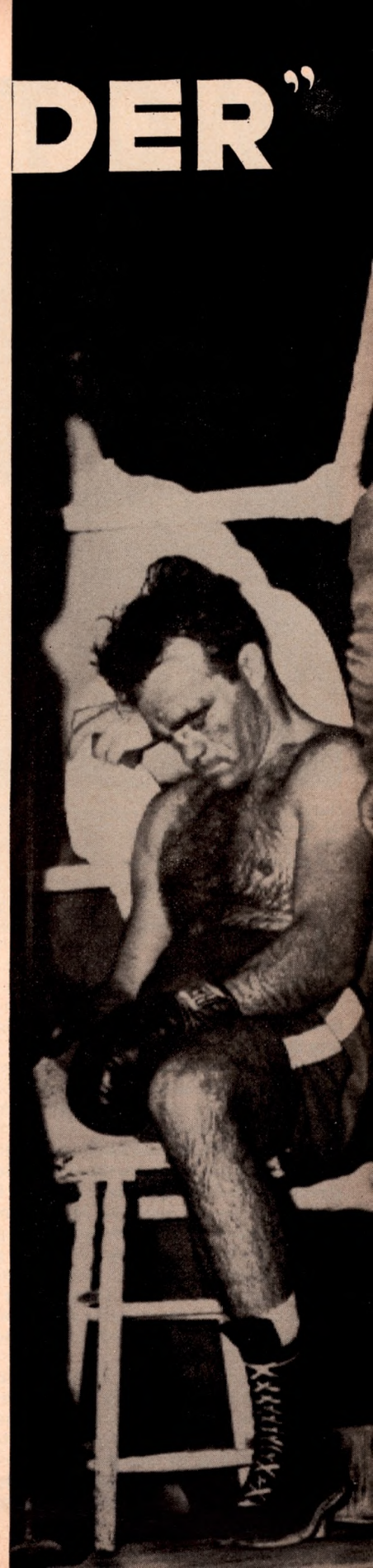


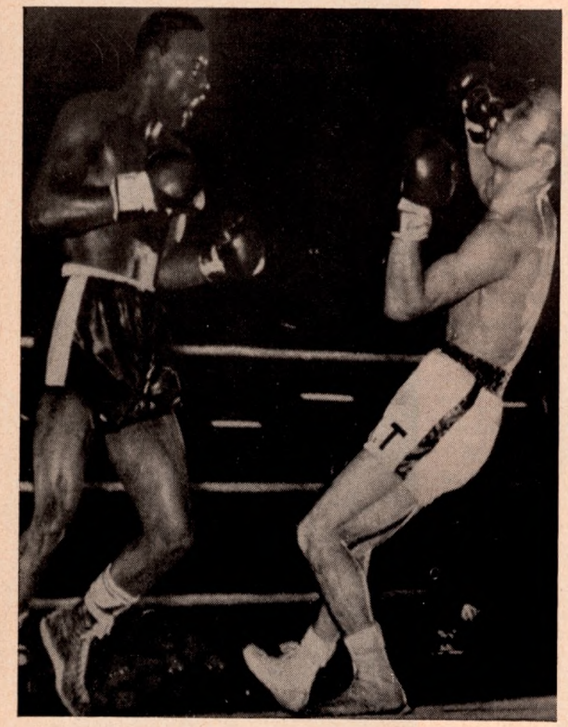
The ill-fated Marcel Cerdan, was a study in sadness as he sat in his corner after informing the referee he couldn't continue against Jake LaMotta after nine rounds. The "Bronx Bull" became the world middleweight champion. The bout took place on June 16, 1949 in Detroit, Michigan. A shoulder injury suffered in the first round, prompted the Frenchman's surrender.

TWO TITLE FIGHTS IN ORIENT

Featherweight

MOORE OVER TAKAYAMA

By RITCHIE INOUYE



Challenger Kazuo Takayama of Japan reels towards the canvas under the barrage of Champion Davey Moore in the thirteenth round of their fight. Kazuo took a nine count, the only knockdown of the fight that saw Moore win a unanimous decision.

TOKYO, JAPAN—Davey Moore, world travelling champion, successfully defended his featherweight crown, gaining the unanimous decision here in the crowded Kuramae Sumo indoor stadium. A gathering of 10,000, most of whom sat on straw mats, was treated to its second thrilling match between the pair, Takayama having lost the verdict in their first fifteen round contest on August 29, 1960. It was the fourth title defense by Moore, who previously had successfully repeated his knockout of Hogan Bassey from whom he had won the crown, had knocked out Danny Valdez besides defeating the Japanese champion.

Takayama, using bobbing and weaving tactics, held his own in the early rounds. He made things interesting for the American who hails from Springfield, Ohio, by keeping in close, forcing the issue and preventing Moore from using his speed and cleverness to advantage. But as the fight progressed, Takayama tired. It was then that Moore made his greatest headway.

In the thirteenth round, when Moore dropped the challenger, the bell came to the rescue of Takayama. He barely got to his feet at the count of nine following a powerful left hook to the chin and was being battered helplessly on the ropes when the gong sounded.

But to the amazement of the spectators, he came back strong, weathered an assault and to the cheers of his partisan rooters, he fought Moore to a standstill in the final minute.

For nine rounds the local boy had held his own. He gave Moore as much as the champion had been delivering. Then, the body punishment the champion had been meting out to Takayama began to tell. Weakened, he became a target for Moore's concerted action until the fourteenth.

The fifteenth round was another in which Takayama made things interesting for the title holder. Takayama, weighing 125½ pounds, half a pound less than the champion, made an all-out attempt to score a knockout. He realized he was behind and as the bell clanged, he rushed out and started tossing punches from all angles. He lunged at his man with a savage attack and Moore, trying to evade a left hook, slipped to one knee.

Somewhat angered, the champion leaped up and began an attack of his own. He severely battered Takayama during the final minute and a half and for a time it seemed he would win by a knockout, but Takayama, game to the core, one of the outstanding Japanese fighters, took it all in stride and remained on his feet until the final gong sounded.

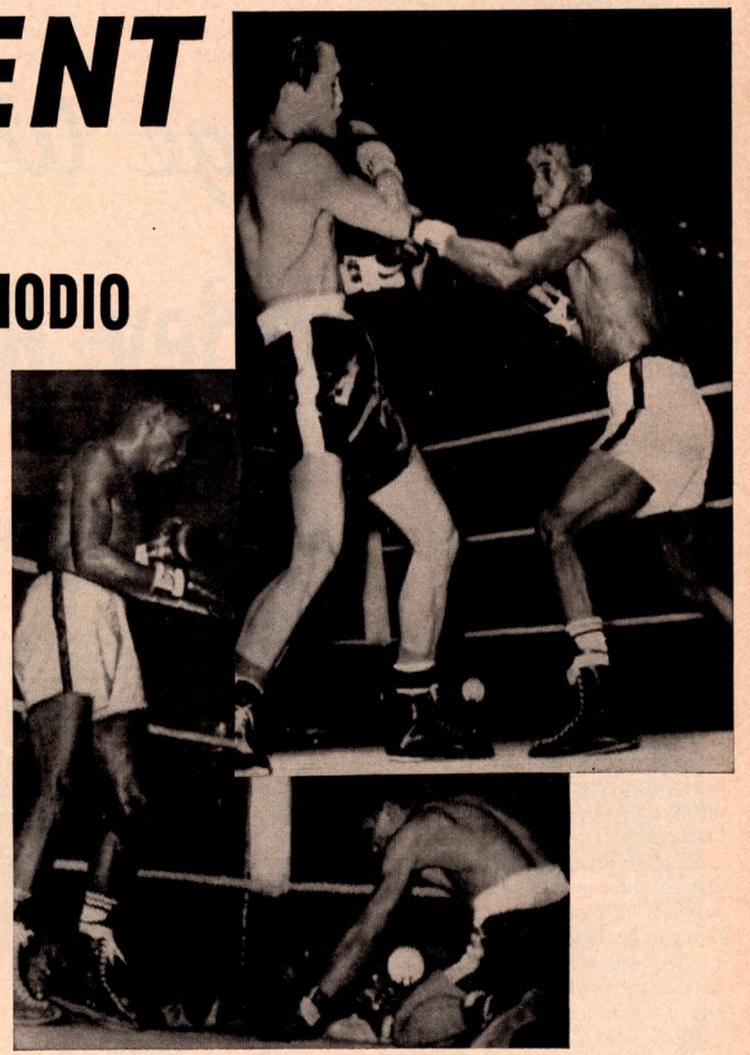
Though he lost the decision on the score cards of each of the officials, he was roundly applauded for his stand. Referee Jimmy Wilson of Los Angeles, imported to officiate as third man, gave Moore the fight on the maximum five points system, 73 to 59. Tony Maceroni, former National Boxing Association President who acted as one of the judges, scored it for Moore, 74 to 67 and the Japanese judge, Haruo Ishiwatarido, had it 72 to 64. As in the case of most championship fights staged in the Orient Federation, the champion was permitted to have two American officials imported.

Moore, who for the second time received a guarantee of $50,000 to defend his crown in Japan, may meet a newcomer in the international ratings, Jet Bally, a popular featherweight in the Philippines. Promoter Araneta of Quezon City has made Manager Willie Ketchum an offer equal to the one he received here to have Moore defend his crown in January. Jack Solomons is anxious to have Moore defend against Rafiv King in London.

Moore has never appeared in a Philippine ring and is eager to make the trip.

Lightweight

BROWN OVER SOMODIO



Joe Brown, "Old Bones," racked up his eleventh successful defense of the title by winning unanimous decision over Filipino Bert Somodio. The photos show Joe carrying the fight to his challenger and the first knockdown of the fight which occurred when Brown crossed his right to the jaw in fifth round. Joe also floored his foe in the eleventh.

By FELIPE J. C. GALANG

Manila–(Special to The Ring)

JOE BROWN, fast punching veteran who originally fought out of New Orleans but now resides in Houston, Texas, continued his record breaking title defenses, by outclassing Bert Somodio, "Nursery Kid" in fifteen rounds in the beautiful Araneta Arena before a gathering of 25,000.

Brown, "Old Bones" to most of his followers, gave his opponent a masterful boxing lesson to run up his eleventh successful lightweight championship victory since gaining the crown from Wallace 'Bud' Smith on August 24, 1956 in New Orleans. In defeating Somodio, Brown put his rival down twice–once for a count of one in the fifth round and again for nine in the eleventh round. The 35 year old champion, a big favorite, never was in real danger, though he was jarred several times with left hooks that didn't carry sufficient power to put him down.

The victor, eight years older than Somodio who holds the junior Orient welterweight title, received his largest purse, $50,000, for his latest efforts, while the Filipino got $15,000.

Somodio went into the ring the underdog, quoted at 10 to 4. He started out fighting from a crouched position but once Old Bones got the range and started to peg straight lefts to the local boy's face, Nursery Kid forgot his defense and went all out in an attempt to tag his man. But, overanxious, he missed many punches while those of the champion hit the target with effectiveness.

The decision was unanimous. Archie Hindman, and Tony Petronella, were referee and judge respectively. Hindman scored it 72 to 62 for the Texan and Tony had a 71 to 65 tally for Brown. The other judge, Rafael Torres, of the Philippines, scored it 72 to 66.

Somodio's best rounds were the fourth and ninth. In each he forced the issue, worked Brown against the ropes and flayed him with lefts and rights to the body and head. But each time the champion countered well and got out of the difficulty.

The Filipino started and finished fast despite the steady flow of jabs and uppercuts that landed with frequency on his body. The huge gathering, short a little of the expected full house, was well pleased with the performance of each. Although the partisan rooting was carried on round after round, when the decision was rendered, Brown received loud applause.

Somodio's best work was accomplished in the infighting in the first four rounds. Brown tried to keep him off with straight lefts and rights, but Somodio kept coming forth, advancing regularly in the face of the attack.

In the fifteenth round he drove the champion back with a hard left to the body, the best punch he had landed in the later rounds. In the fourth, three powerful rights to the body forced Brown to clinch. He definitely was hurt but quickly recovered and went after his opponent.

It was after that round that Brown began his offensive. He landed a right to the jaw in the fifth that put Somodio down on one knee, but the Filipino leaped to his feet as the one count was noted. A right and left to the jaw brought the second knockdown in the eleventh.

Nursery Kid, angered by that knockdown, began a steady offensive of his own from then to the final bell. It slowed up Brown who was kept busy holding off the bull-like rushes, but Somodio failed to land sufficient points to enable the tide to be turned. Brown had too much of an advantage. Each weighed in at 135, the class limit.

If Promoter George Araneta wants to have Brown defend his title against Flash Elorde, popular N.B.A. junior lightweight champion, that fight would be agreeable.

By TED CARROLL

The Strange World of...

Charley Rose

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This Installment:—"A Reminiscing Rose"

"*A Rose by another name will always eat—*" intoned a scholarly gentleman as paraphrasing Shakespeare—he watched 75 year old Charley Rose, after putting away a huge order of spaghetti and roast beef, go to work on a second platter supplied by a dieting table mate at a Boxing Writers' luncheon.

Charley Rose — bouncy and vibrant after a three-quarter century existence, accounts his prodigious appetite a strong factor in his durability.

"*Poor kids like me on the old East Side never had enough to eat, so I've spent the rest of my life getting even for the meals I missed when I was a little fellow,*" explains the veteran boxing man. "*I've been kidded about my appetite all my life, but I'm thankful it's never let me down. It's as good now as it was fifty years ago.*

"*And do you know,*" he continued between mouthfuls, "*I once managed a fellow who was the lightest eater for his size I ever saw—Harry Wills. Wills would look at me going to town at the table and his eyes would pop. 'Charley Rose, where does a little shrimp like you put all that food? A little fellow like you wasn't meant to carry around all that food inside you. You can't last very long,' he said as he shook his head sadly.*

"*Poor Harry—he passed away a couple of years ago. Once a year he'd go on a month long fast and have nothing but orange juice. Claimed that was the best way to reach a hundred.*

"*Even in training all he'd have would be a couple of eggs and a glass of milk for breakfast, then a small piece of steak, and a couple of little potatoes for dinner. But I must say he was always in great shape.*"

I reminded Charley that Rocky Marciano had gained the reputation of being the biggest eater of all the heavyweight champions.

"*That might have gone for the heavyweight champions, but I would have liked to have seen him matched with his own trainer, little Charley Goldman, in an eating contest. Look, let me show you something.*"

Reaching into an inner pocket, Charley withdrew a postal card.

"*Funny, that this subject should be brought up, I got this card just a few days ago. Here, read it.*"

The card, mailed from Las Vegas, Nevada, dated October 21st, read; "Hello, Charley: You would love it out here. All you can eat for $2.50. Your pal, Charley Goldman.

"*Let me tell you about the time Abe Yager—the press agent—invited us over to his house for dinner. Abe knew about us, but he figured he could handle just one at a time. But he got his wires crossed somehow, and we both showed up at his home answering the invitation.*

"*His charming wife Sophie must have worn out a pair of shoes running back and forth to the kitchen. She's a great cook, and we really went to town. Charley knocked off a whole chicken. That made Abe lose his own appetite as he started figuring grocery bills. His wife couldn't get over it. All she could say, '—And—such a little man—!'*

"*Charley looked invincible until he reached for some cucumbers. The cucumbers kayoed Charley Goldman. On top of all the other stuff they started talking back, his arms fell to his sides, and he slumped on his chair. He was through. Yaeger and I picked him up and laid him on the couch. He was as flattened as any fighter you ever saw.*" triumphantly chuckled Charley Rose.

"*But Charley Goldman is a great man with a knife and fork. I don't know where he puts it. He's no bigger now than when he was fighting as a bantamweight fifty years ago. He must have hollow legs.*"

Charley's face suddenly lit up. "*When I was a youngster I met Diamond Jim Brady through Tim Sullivan, the politician who liked me, and an old time fight promoter, named George B. McDonald. 'Diamond Jim' was the biggest eater that ever lived. He'd start a meal with 2-dozen oysters as an appetizer—maybe that's how I got the habit.*

The luncheon over, we strolled across the street to Charley's hotel, where after twenty years he reigns as a kind of "star boarder".

Upstairs, after making ourselves comfortable in Charley's interesting quarters, he pointed out the window at a building in process of construction on Forty-eighth street.

"*Look, see those workmen. It's not lunch time but they're sitting down having coffee. A coffee-break, yet! That's why we don't have any more young fighters. Coffee-breaks and two hundred dollars a week for construction labor. Who needs to go into the ring?*

"*In the old days those kind of guys got ten dollars a week. Today, a Garden prelim will bring a kid a hundred and fifty, maybe two, and if he gets one a month, he's lucky. Out of that, even if he isn't cut, comes all kinds of expenses. He can make what's left in any kind of a job—a week—why should he fight?*

Finding no answer to this unassailable logic, I wanted to know what Charley, one of the last of his era left in the boxing business, thought of TV's effects upon the sport.

"Not good," was the terse reply. *"Why should a man in his right mind leave the comfort of his own home in bad weather to go to a fight when he can turn on the television? The small clubs were finished the first time a fight came over the television."* was his sober analysis.

Back on a happier tack, Rose resumed: *"I had many a connection with a small club in my time, but one I'll never forget is the time I put in Ted Nelson, one of my ex-fighters, as matchmaker and promoter in a spot down in Richmond, Virginia. It was a good deal for me too, because I'd send down a package of fighters for a thousand dollars to fill out the card. And what do you think happened? One morning I got a wire from Nelson, the guy*

I'd given the job to, saying, 'Don't send me any more fighters. They're costing me too much money."

"Charley, you must feel like a stranger in a strange land. All your Broadway pals have gone. You don't see many familiar faces any more," was my observation.

"Very true — well, there's Joe Woodman, and every now and then Kearns drops into town. That Kearns—what a man he is," continued Charley, shaking his head in wonderment." *"He's made fortunes, but he's missed the boat on a couple, too.*

"I remember when he was having that trouble with Dempsey. A lot of people were interested in taking his interest in Dempsey off his hands and taking their chances in court. A combination came to me with an offer to go as high as a hundred and fifty thousand dollars for Kearns' claims to Dempsey's contract, but Jack wouldn't listen to any offer. He was sure that the courts would sustain him, and he would wind up with a bundle from the Dempsey-Tunney fights. He lost out and never got a dime from either of those fights."

"The old time managers were a lot livelier, and a lot more fun to be around. Those to-day are much more serious, more like lawyers or business men, but that doesn't mean that they don't know the fight game just as well as any of the old timers." concedes Charley.

"Take Cus D'Amato. He turned in the best job of making a world's champion out of a kid and making him a rich man with soft fights than anybody ever did. From the first time Cus saw him, every time Floyd Patterson has stepped into the ring, everything has been in his favor.

"They're criticizing Cus for being so careful about referees. Only a sucker could blame him for being so suspicious.

"The oldtimers carried their own referees around with them. I spent a lot of time with Freddie Welsh, and I know he liked to have Billy Roche working his fights. When he hit the road, Benny Leonard usually took along Slim Brennan, just in case.

"Even old Mike Jacobs usually wanted Arthur Donovan in there, even with a great fighter like Louis. There's nothing wrong with that. With a million dollars worth of title on the line, Cus isn't dumb enough to risk it in the hands of some guy nobody knows anything about except maybe the other guy."

Along with his compliments to certain of today's managers, Charley Rose, in

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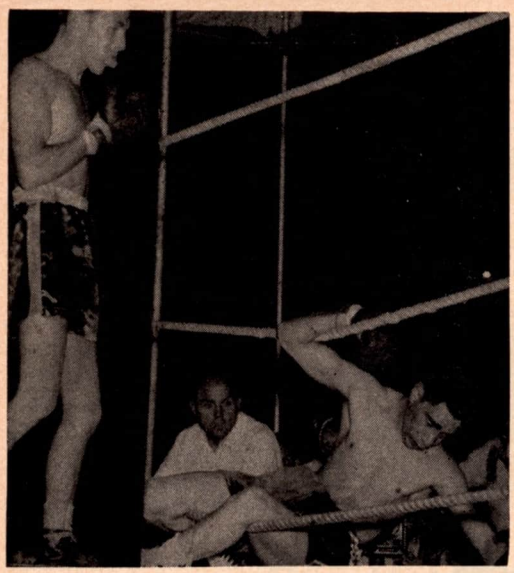
CARRUTHERS BEATS TOWEEL

By JERSEY JONES



When unbeaten streaks collide, something can be expected to give way, and in this case it was South African Vic Toweel's stunning one-round knockout by Australian Jimmy Carruthers in Johannesburg. Toweel's dazzling winning skein not only was shattered, but Vic lost the world bantamweight championship in the process.

The WINNING TOUCH

THE forthcoming get-together of Brazilian Eder Jofre and Irishman Johnny Caldwell in Sao Paolo will be unusual in at least one respect.

With the disputed world bantamweight title at stake, the match will pair two rivals who've been unbeaten in their professional careers.

Jofre is recognized as champion by The Ring and the National Boxing Association. Caldwell is accepted as title-holder by the European Boxing Union.

The 25-year-old Jofre, fighting since 1957, has packed in forty-three bouts to date. The only blemishes on an otherwise perfect slate have been three draws early in his career—two with Ernesto Miranda of the Argentine and one with Ruben Caceres of Uruguay. They've since been properly taken care of, Jofre whipping Miranda in a third meeting and knocking out Caceres in a return match.

Caldwell, one year younger in age and in professional ring experience, has run off an uninterrupted string of twenty-five wins.

For little fellows, both Jofre and Caldwell are convincing punchers as well as shifty boxers. Of Eder's forty wins, exactly three-fourths, or thirty, have been by knockouts. Caldwell has abbreviated thirteen of his twenty-five triumphs.

The rivals have been outstanding in international competition. Among Eder's victims have been Billy Peacock of the U.S.A., Joe Medel and Eloy Sanchez of Mexico, Leo Espinosa and Danny Kid of the Philippines, Sadao Yaoita of Japan, Piero Rollo of Italy and Ramon Arias of Venezuela.

Caldwell has disposed of the likes of Pierre Rossi, Rene Libeer, Pierre Vetroff and Alphonse Halimi of France; Young Martin and Juan Cardenas of Spain; Giacomo Spano, Salvatore Manca and Angelo Rampin of Italy and Risto Luukkonen of Finland.

Between them, Jofre and Caldwell have done a thorough job of mopping up the bantamweight division.

Now, two unbeaten streaks are being tossed in against each other with an undisputed world championship at stake.

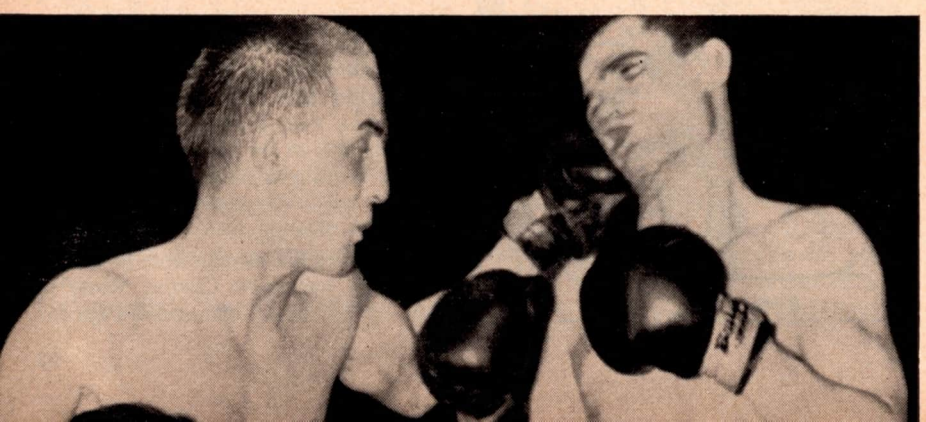
CARRUTHERS AND TOWEEL.

So far as we recall, only once before, in "modern" boxing, has a world title bout offered two unbeaten rivals.

That was on November 15, 1952, when Vic Toweel of South Africa essayed to defend the bantam laurels against Jimmy Carruthers of Australia. The bout was held in Johannesburg.

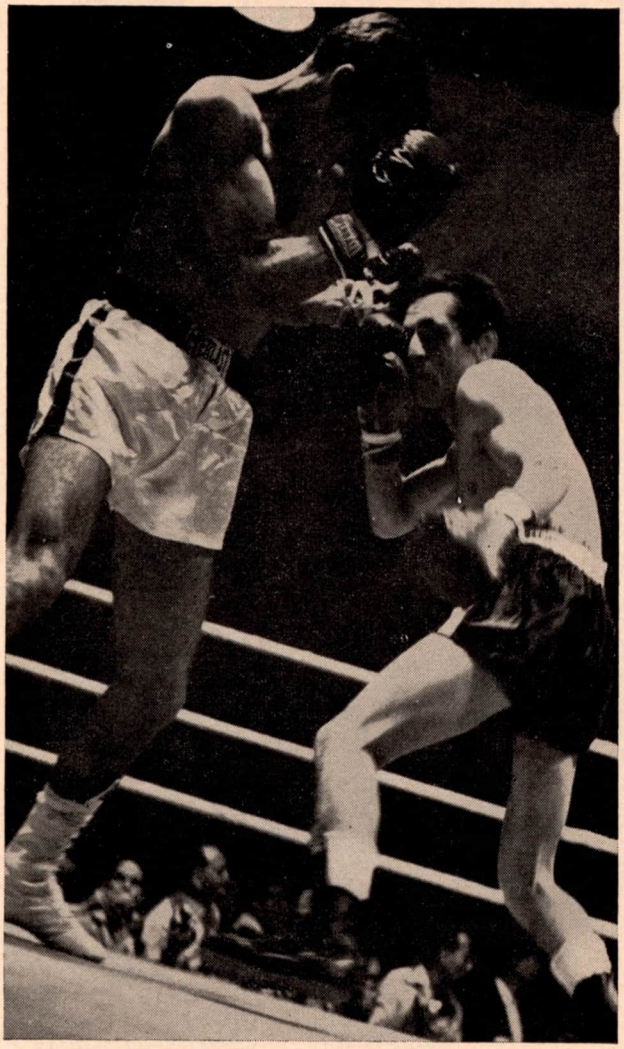
Toweel, the champion, had been held to one draw in twenty-six outings. That was in the second of three clashes with Georges Mousse of France. Toweel won the first and third bouts.

CALDWELL BEATS HALIMI



Undefeated Irishman Johnny Caldwell jolting French-Algerian Alphonse Halimi with left hook while winning European version of world bantamweight title in London. Caldwell's victory was in nature of a surprise, since Johnny had just graduated from flyweight class and was not expected to be strong or experienced enough for the former world champion.

JOFRE BEATS ROLLO



Eder Jofre (left) kept his unbeaten string intact by stopping Italian champion, Piero Rollo, in ten rounds in Sao Paulo. Bout was for that part of the world title recognized by The Ring and the National Boxing Association. Jofre, of Brazil, has been unbeaten in forty-three bouts since 1957. Three draw results have since been squared away in return matches.

In nearly four years of professional campaigning, Toweel had compiled a dazzling record. In his fourteenth bout he had wrested the world title from veteran, ringwise Manuel Ortiz, the California Mexican. He had successfully defended the title three times against strong challengers—Danny O'Sullivan of England, Luis Romero of Spain and Peter Keenan of Scotland. In other international episodes, he had beaten Bunty Doran of Ireland, Stan Rowan of England, Bobby Boland of Scotland, Fernando Gagnon of Canada, Alvaro Nuvoloni of Italy and Theo Medina of France. Of his twenty-five triumphs, thirteen had been by knockouts.

In two and a half years of professional operations, Carruthers, a southpaw, had put together fourteen straight wins, nine by knockouts, but competition had been mainly with Australian rivals. His international opponents had been a Frenchman, Bob Scrivano; an American, Johnny O'Brien, and a couple of Mexicans, Enrique Morales and Luis Castillo.

There was little difference in age between Toweel and Carruthers. Each was 23, with Vic the older by six months.

Fighting in his home land, and with a more impressive record than the challenger's, Toweel was a top-heavy favorite to win.

What happened was a stunning shock not only to Vic and his loyal cohorts but to the entire boxing world.

Carruthers knocked him out in the first round!

Convinced that the sudden and totally unexpected ending was an accident, Toweel demanded a return match. Carruthers accommodated him four months later, again in Johannesburg. This time Vic fared better than he had in the first meeting. He lasted until the tenth round, when Carruthers stopped him again.

COULDN'T STAY RETIRED.

As champion, Carruthers made only three more appearances in ring combat. Two of them were in title bouts. He whipped the American, Henry (Pappy) Gault, in Melbourne later in 1953 and Chamrern Songkitrat in that violent tropical storm in Bangkok in 1954. In between the two championship bouts, Jimmy outpointed an Australian rival, Bobby Sinn, in a non-title outing in Sydney.

Following the Bangkok episode, Carruthers surprisingly announced his retirement from the ring, one of the few world champions to boast of having gone through entire professional careers without defeat.

Jimmy, however, couldn't let well enough alone. After seven years and two months away from the battle pit, Carruthers, at 32, returned recently as a lightweight to lose a decision to Aldo Pravisani in Sydney.

The story is that Jimmy, who had invested his ring earnings in a small hotel and tavern in a Sydney suburb, was doing well for himself but not well enough to finance a combination "motel-boatel" he was eager to add to his worldly possessions. He needed a large bundle of cash to swing the deal, and the one way he could get it was by fighting. Thus, went another unbeaten record.

FEW STAY RETIRED.

The ring has known only two world champions who've retired after unbeaten careers, and succeeded in making their retirements permanent.

Heavyweight Rocky Marciano was one. Rocky ended his professional ring activity in 1955 with a perfect score of forty-nine consecutive victories.

The other was Jimmy Barry, who held the bantamweight laurels during the '90s.

Jack McAuliffe, contemporaneous with Barry, is often referred to as an unbeaten lightweight champion, but McAuliffe was an American champion only and never held a world title.

Barry did. The tiny Chicagoan operated from 1891 to 1899, and in that time fought a total of seventy bouts. He won fifty-nine (thirty-six by knockouts), fought nine draws and engaged in two no-decision bouts.

By current standards, Barry actually was only a flyweight, seldom scaling above 105 pounds, but there was no flyweight division in those days, and the lightest class was the bantam.

Jimmy was recognized as American champion when he stopped Casper Leon in Lamont, Ill., in 1894. Three years later he journeyed to London to meet the English champion, Walter Croot, in a showdown for the vacant world title. Barry won in a bout that ended in tragedy. Croot died of injuries suffered when Jimmy knocked him out in the 20th round.

Returning to the U.S.A., Barry defended his title twice against Leon in 1898, first in New York, then in Davenport, Iowa, and announced his retirement after boxing a draw with Harry Harris in Chicago in 1899.

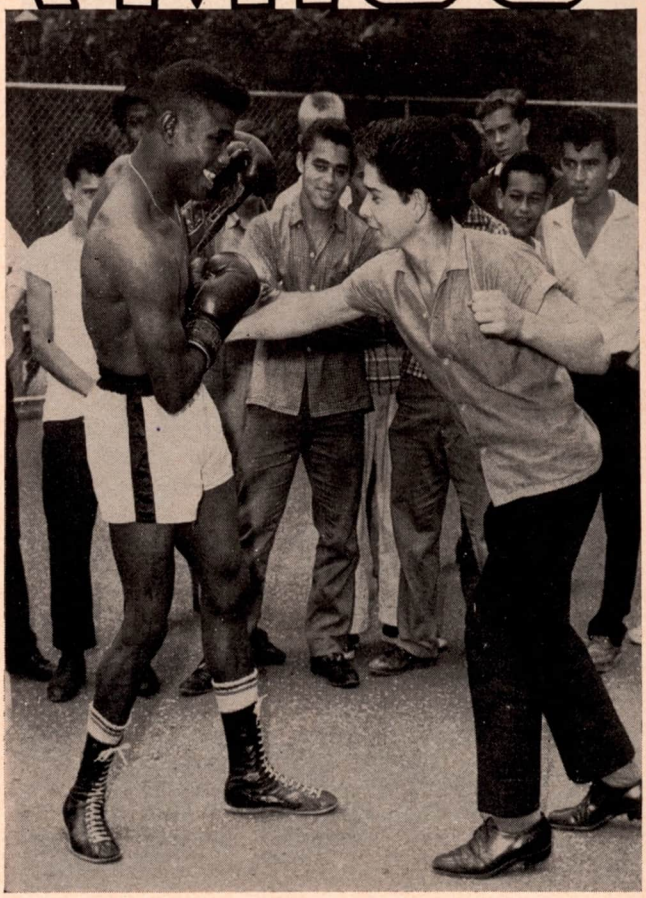
WINNING STREAKS TO TITLES.

Some of the ring's most notable winning records were compiled by fighters en route *(Continued on page 58)*

HIT OR MISS

Clicking With The Public Depends on More Than Ability. There is A Not Too Little Thing Called Personality

By LESTER BROMBERG
(New York World-Telegram and Sun)



Emile Griffith, the popular New Yorker, spends most of his free time as an instructor and counsellor at a number of youth centers and playgrounds. Emile has a large following among the younger fans as well as the regular fight followers.

USUALLY the phrase *'hit or miss'* will refer to the attitude of a person who would settle for a scatter shot as readily as for a bullseye. Here we are arbitrarily giving it another meaning, a contrived one—the *"hits"* and *"misses"* of boxing, the fighters who are destined to click and those who just don't catch on.

It is interesting to note that changing conditions have not altered basic appeals. Any fighter in question might have boxed years ago or have come along recently in the television age. It would make no difference: their rise or fall depends entirely on a little thing called personality.

And it is immeasurably easier to give an illustration of personality than to simply define it.

Not too long ago this writer was leaving Madison Square Garden after a Saturday night TV show. It was roughly 11:30 before we were on our way out, since we'd visited the dressing rooms and listened to a few matchmakers and managers shoot the breeze.

Surprising, for this hour, was the gathering at the entrance of a group of roughly 100. They seemed to be surrounding someone, who couldn't be recognized at a distance.

But obviously these people were magnetized. When we pushed our way to the center of the crowd, we recognized the magnet: ex-welterweight champion Emile Griffith. Eyes bright, smiling broadly, he was telling a story with enjoyment. By their expressions, his auditors were having just as good a time.

Griffith, youthful New Yorker, who is originally from the Virgin Islands, represents a true "hit". He has both the ring class to attract a following on performance and the outgoing warmth for making friends. The latter represents frosting on the cake but its essential value can't be overlooked.

Griffith has been a national TV fighter for less than two years, yet his fan mail has grown amazingly. He takes the trouble to answer each letter personally, a sizeable chore. He insists he gets a kick out of it and there's no reason to think otherwise. He plainly responds to people and vice versa.

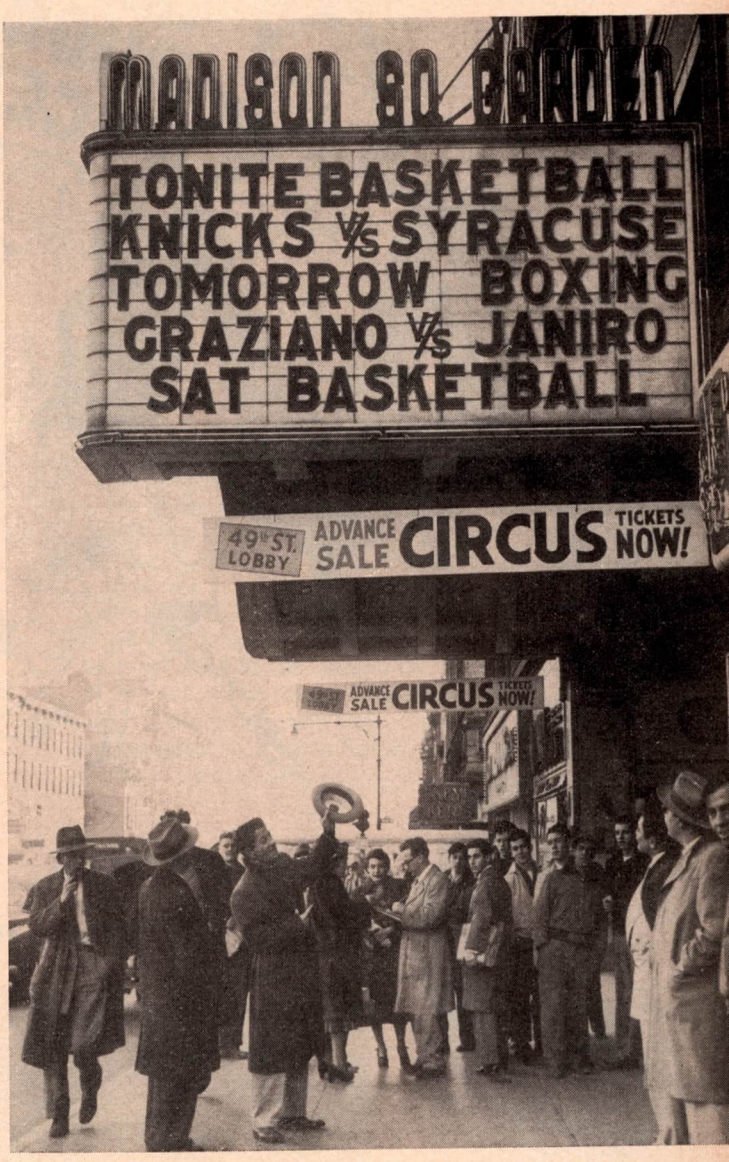
Colorful personalities of the ring often have had this communicability, even though some lacked the gifts of ready speech and easy writing possessed by Griffith.

Take Joe Louis in his early years. He was shy, even backwards. Still, when his stature as heavyweight puncher assumed heroic proportions, he generated a glow wherever he went.

The night he fought Max Baer, he also was wed. The ceremony was supposed to be "secret." The locale was the apartment of a friend in New York's Harlem section, not far from Yankee Stadium where he was to fight a few hours later. When Joe and Marva Trotter arrived at the building, the sidewalk was blocked by a mass of well-wishers. The bride and groom had to be ushered into the house via a back alley fire escape. And, even then, from the neighboring windows, there were grinning glances from his public.

Baer himself had been a crowd-exciting notable. His appearance in a restaurant stalled service at all tables nearby. Max moreover had a thorough knowledge of what his public expected of him. He left no dull moments; wherever there was an audience, he swaggered and talked it up.

(On Left) Joe Louis shown with his first wife Marva, was the idol of America during his rise to the title and for the many years he reigned as champion. (On right) Rocky Graziano, "Boxing's Dead End Kid," is surrounded by his admirers before one of his many Garden fights.



In the Louis fight Baer had been frozen by warranted respect for Joe's dynamite. On other ring occasions he represented entertainment plus. At the weigh-in for his destruction of giant Primo Carnera, Max plucked hairs out of Da Preem's chest, mumbling *"he loves me, he loves me not."* Even frittering away the title to Jim Braddock, he took time out to pretend he was going to punch little Joe Gould, Jim's manager.

It was tragic, yet ever so typical, that Baer demonstrated his trademark even when seized by a fatal heart attack while alone in a Hollywood hotel room. Getting his call for a doctor, the phone operator said: "Do you want the house doctor?" He replied: *"Lady, I don't want a house doctor, I want a man doctor!"*

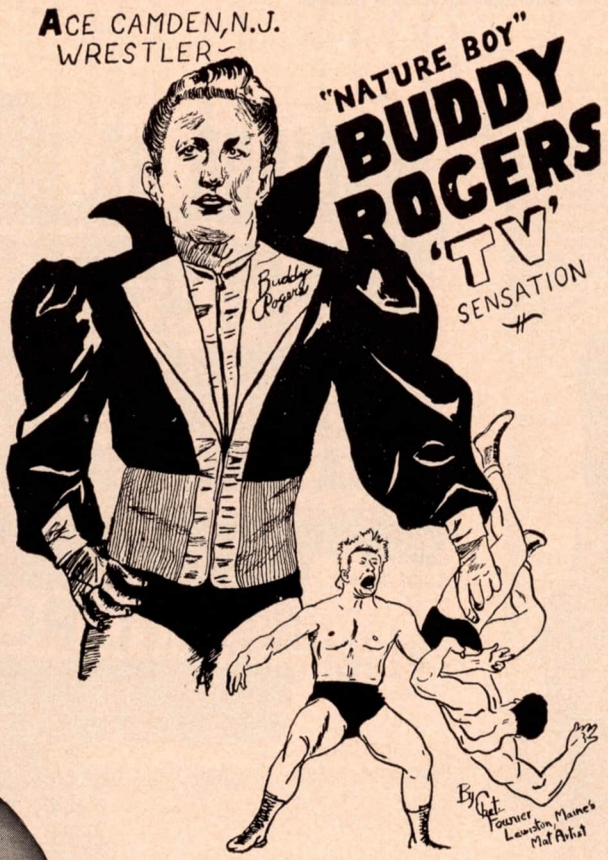
Within the last 15 years there have been two world's champions answering to Rocky—Marciano, king of the heavyweights, and Graziano, who held the middleweight crown. Marciano's prestige as a man who never lost (49-0) is immeasurably greater than Graziano's and latter would be the first to concede it.

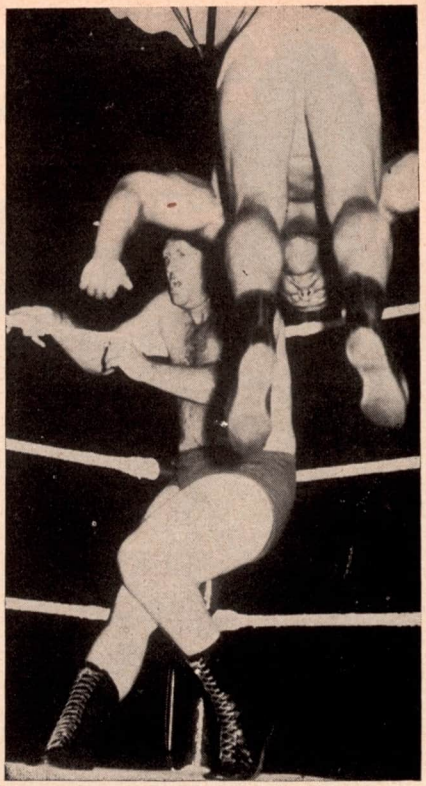
But, in checking opinion, the writer inquired of 10 ring filberts: *"Who do you think of first when you hear the name 'Rocky?'"* Seven said: *"Graziano."* This was evidence of the impression Graziano made with his rowdy, kid-of-the-streets background, not to mention his engaging smile and his gems of New Yorkese conversation . . . when he came back from his stay in Chicago for his winning fight with Tony Zale, he'd said, "Yah know they trut me good out there."

Graziano's brand of glamor stirred envy some time ago in Maxie Shapiro, a lightweight contemporary of Rocky's time. *"How could I get to be a big man like Graziano?"* Maxie observed, *"I wasn't lucky enough to have my parents make me a juvenile delinquent."*

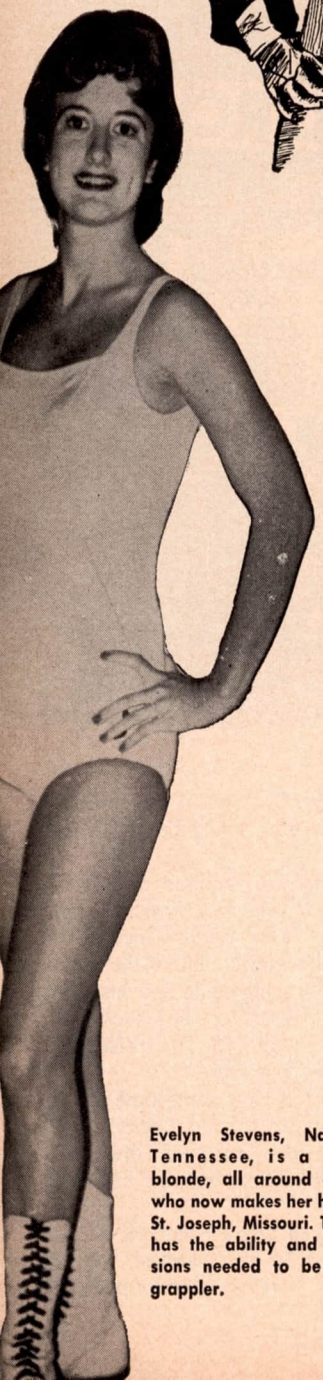
Affection of the rank and file can arrive belatedly, as was the case with Archie Moore. For 20 years almost, the old maestro traipsed the world *(Continued on page 41)*

THE MAT WORLD





Edward Carpentier manoeuvers Von Erich into a corner to deliver vicious elbow smashes and as Von Erich attempts to fight back Carpentier mounts the ropes and goes into a backward leap that ends with a kick to Von Erich's head. Carpentier won the contest after wearing the game Von Erich down with sensational arm smashes.



Evelyn Stevens, Nashville, Tennessee, is a honey blonde, all around athlete, who now makes her home at St. Joseph, Missouri. This gal has the ability and dimensions needed to be a top grappler.

By **NAT LOUBET**

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

The Ring has been contacting wrestling reporters, officials and other responsible persons in our sport in a survey to determine by true democratic process, the vote, to whom shall go the honors as being "Wrestler of the Year" et al.

In our next issue, February, we will bring you all the results of the balloting for the year that is swiftly drawing to a close. Outstanding Oddity, Most Interesting Happening In Any Ring, The Tag Team Of The Year. Don't miss our report next month.

FAN CLUB CORNER

OUT of the warmth of brotherly love Matthew Granovetter has hatched a club called The Hate Bobby Davis F.C. If you want to hate with Matthew write to him at 333 Fairmount Ave., Jersey City 6, N.J.

A most interesting note crossed my desk from the Prexy of the Verne Gagne International in which I was asked to pass on that the club would have a new address: 6225 Sligo Blvd., W. Hyattsville, Md. The other request ran so: "Help Wanted! Publicity Director for a large, growing F.C. Only qualified fans need apply. Must be enthusiastic, capable and sincere." I imagine you have the idea, so if the shoe fits—there's a job waiting.

Miss Mastis, President of the Bill Zbyszko FC was kind enough to write to me that we had the wrong address for the President of the Dick Steinborn FC. The right address is Miss Vicki Head, P.O. Box 211, Lithia Springs, Georgia. We had Vicki as hailing from California. Sorry! Incidentally, for those who may not have read the announcement issue Miss Mastis' FC for Zbyszko is run from her home, 32-18 34th St., Astoria 6, New York.

Tiny Smith, a grappler who started out within the past year but has gone far for a newcomer, is having a club started in his honor by two Misses: Elenora Martin and Barbara Prohaski. Address Miss Martin at 1302 Marigny Street, New Orleans, La.

Betty and Judy Von Hagel, co-presidents of the "Cowboy" Bob Ellis FC, are running a contest to get a new name for their Journal. Those interested in Bob can contact his FC

prexy at 3746 South New Jersey Street, Indianapolis 27, Indiana.

Fred Blassie, who made such a hit in the Carolinas and is now a top draw in California, has a new FC in his honor. Kim Mariner is the whip in the new club and Kim informs this corner that the club is open for members. Contact Kim at 3645 Crowell Ave., Riverside, California.

OFFICIAL WORLD RATINGS

MEN

1. Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers
2. Fred Blassie
3. Pat O'Connor
4. Edward Carpentier
5. Antonino Rocca
6. Killer Kowalski
7. Bearcat Wright
8. John Paul Henning
9. Ilio Di Paolo
10. Johnny Valentine

WOMEN

1. Fabulous Moolah
2. Rita Cortez
3. June Byers
4. Penny Banner
5. Millie Stafford
6. Lorraine Johnson
7. Kathy Starr
8. Judy Grable
9. Leslie Mae Provo
10. Evelyn Stevers

TAG TEAMS

1. Bearcat Wright and Bobo Brazil
2. Mark Lewin and Don Curtis
3. Eddie Graham and Dick Steinborn
4. Lou and Red Bastien
5. The Kangeroos (Al Costello and R. Heffernan)
6. Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski
7. Doc and Mike Gallagher
8. Kurt and Karl Von Brauner
9. Chris and John Tolos
10. Billy Red Lyons and Roy Diamond (Nick Bockwinkle)

Dear Mr. Nat Loubet,

It was a great pleasure to meet you. I would like to thank you for the wonderful things you said about Vi Reuther, Ginnie Phister and myself in a recent issue of "Ring."

I have begun an International fan club for RITA CORTEZ. I would like you to be an honorary member in my club and I am enclosing some of the club material which is ready as of date.

Thank you for all the very wonderful help you have given me.

RITA is currently on a 10-week tour and is now in Canada.

Yours truly,
(Miss) Barbara Miller

KINISKI COPS "RING" AWARD IN CALGARY
By BOB LEONARD

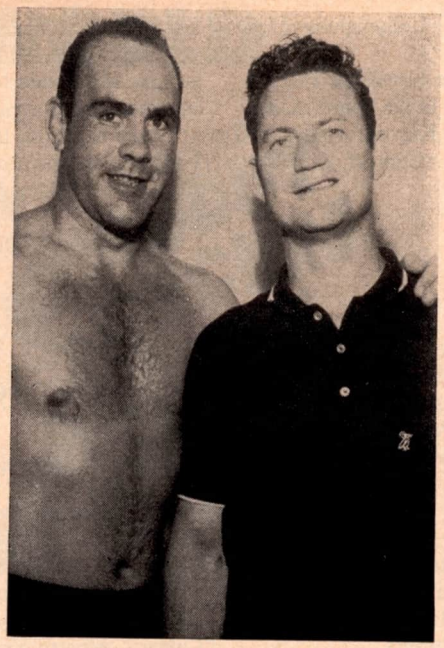
Call him what you will—*"The Canadian Avalanche"*—*"Big Thunder"*—*"Killer"*—*"The Alberta Assassin"*—Gene Kiniski is a mighty impressive chunk of wrestling dynamite. The mammoth Kiniski, after one of his best seasons to date, capped a tremendous week of wrestling by walking off with The Ring Magazine Award for the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the 1961 Calgary Stampede "Tournament of Champions," held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

The award was presented to the wrestler adjudged the finest in wrestling skill, color, and ability to please the crowd, irrespective of whether or not he wins a championship or is even a contestant in a title match. A special panel of four judges was enlisted to make the choice. Headed by Stu Hart, president of the Foothills Athletic Club, promoter of the tournament, the panel included Les Watson, the dean of Western referees; Al 'Murder' Mills, former Canadian heavyweight champion, and Tom Moore long-time Calgary wrestling scribe. Their opinion was unanimous: Gene Kiniski, six feet five inches and 275 pounds of solid wrestler.

Billed as the "World's Strongest Man," The Great Antonio stands six feet four inches tall and weighs over 450 pounds. Despite his size he is fast on his feet and his jumping "gaplump," is fearful to the man on the bottom.

Rita Cortez, the gal from Mexico City, who has leaped to stardom with her versatile attack and crowd pleasing style, is a firebrand in the ring, and one of the mat games most sensitive and quiet spoken women when outside the squared circle.

Jan Madrid (left) and Billy (Bulldog) Cox, a tag team that is gaining in popularity in the Southern territory. (Photo by Gene Gordon)



Ray Andrews (left) a new wrestling prospect, who has been going great guns in the Carolinas, poses with Ring correspondent Gene Gordon.

Strangler Lewis, one time heavyweight champion of the world, and in more recent years the manager of Lou Thesz, a publicity and public relations man, is seen posing with Pacific Coast grappler George Drake, who Lewis rates high as a performer.

A native of Edmonton, Alberta, big Gene took to the mat early in life, and wrestled his way through the ranks at the University of Alberta and later at Arizona State. A former pro gridiron star, Kiniski played alongside of two of his present-day foes, Wilbur Snyder and Joe Blanchard, when all three men were with the Edmonton Eskimos, one of Canada's top ball clubs. Turning to wrestling full-time in the mid-fifties, Genial Gene, as he prefers to be called, took but a few short months to forge his way into main events all over the continent. His list of defeated opponents reads like a who's-who of wrestling, for he's scored impressive wins over top-rank opposition in every major city in North America. Two of his latest triumphs came when he pressed Whipper Billy Watson's shoulders to the canvas in Edmonton to become the new British Empire Heavyweight Champion, and when he trounced Verne Gagne (in Minneapolis, Minnesota) for a disputed version of the World's Heavy title.

When this writer presented Kiniski with the Ring award, in the ring at Calgary's huge Stampede Corral, Gene threatened mass mayhem when the fans heckled and booed him. The giant Kiniski, never popular with Stampede City fans, stormed around the ring showing off his newly-won honor, and touched off a mass demonstration by shoving the plaque in the face of his long time arch-enemy, Whipper Watson, with the words: *"Who's the greatest now, Watson? They're giving me trophies, so I must be better than you!"* And maybe he is, for he charged out of his corner at the bell, and ended up by giving both Watson and referee The Mighty Ursus a thorough beating.

As for the rest of the tournament, Kiniski had a lot of competition in his bid for the award. Antonino Rocca, Whipper Watson, Pat O'Connor, Angelo Savoldi, Tiny Mills, John Smith and many others put in appearances in the Stampede Corral ring, as will be noted from the listings of results. But Genial Gene Kiniski, the Big Thunder from up Edmonton way, did his part the best. Somehow, it just wouldn't seem like the Stampede Tournament if Gene didn't put in at least one appearance. Calgary fans may hate him, but they turn out in force to see him. And that, reasons Mr. Kiniski, is a pretty fair measure of his success.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

FIRST DAY:

Al Pago Pago, 232, Samoa def. Oatten Fisher, 220, Charlotte, N.C.

Tiny Mills, 255, Camrose, Alberta, def. Johnny Weaver, 225, East St. Louis, Ill.

Johnny Foti, 228, Regina, Sask., def. Maurice Lapointe, 236, Montreal, P.Q.

Penny Banner, 150, St. Louis, Mo., and Kathy Starr, 142, Phoenix, Ariz., def. Judy Glover, 134, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Millie Stafford, 138, Minneapolis, Minn.

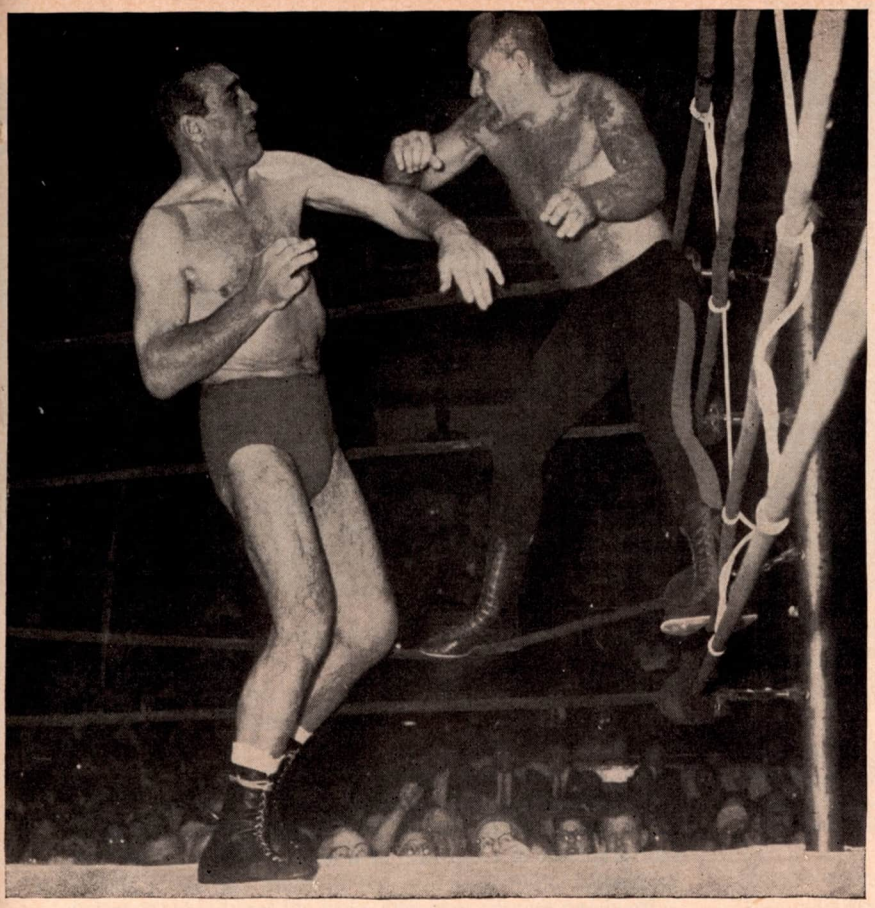
Pat O'Connor, 236, Wanganui, N.Z., def. Gene Kiniski, 275, Edmonton, Alberta by disq.

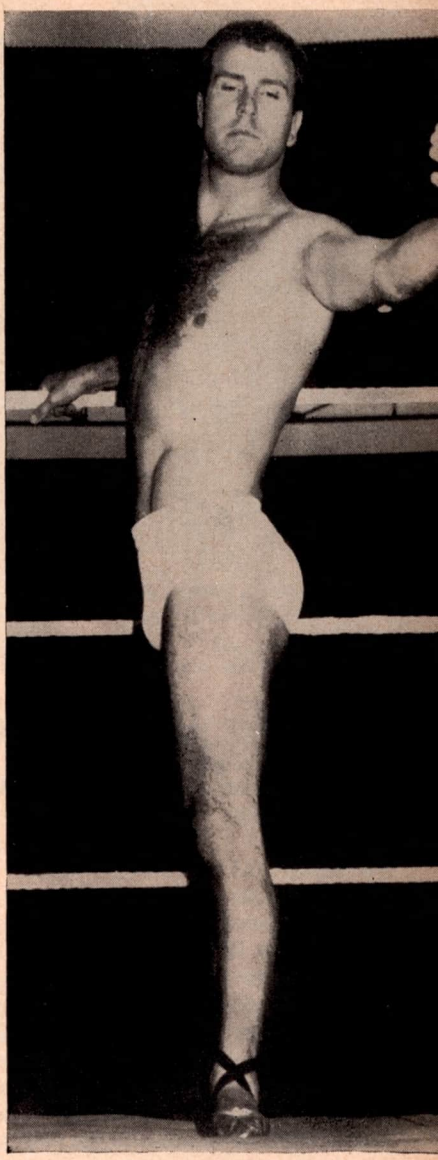
SECOND DAY:

Ken Lorimer, 230, Vancouver, B.C. def. Jimmy Sziskay, 235, Hamilton, Ontario.

John Smith, 240, Elmira, N.Y., and Dave Ruhl, 245, Hanna, Alberta, def. Johnny (Rubberman) Walker, 232, Honolulu, Hawaii, and Sonny Pascua, 228, Manila, The Philippines.

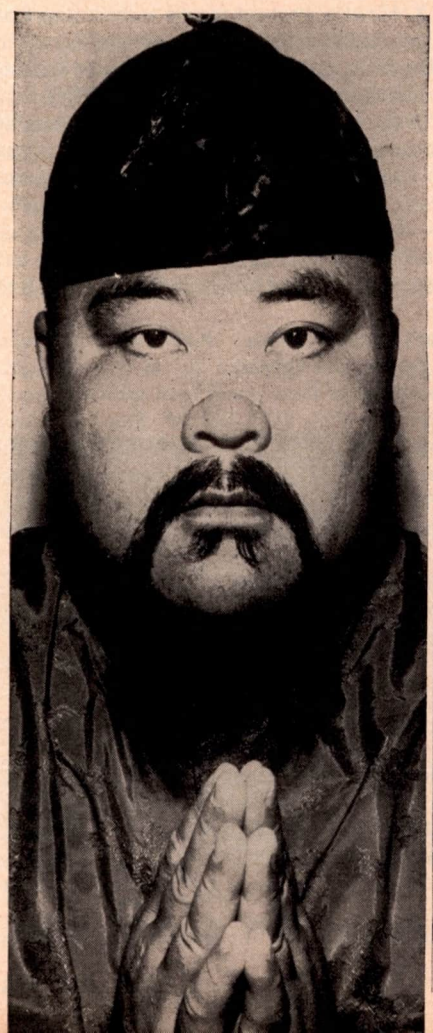
Penny Banner and Billy the Kid, 95, Cheyenne, Wyoming, def. Judy Glover and Tiny Tim Girard, 84, Bordeaux, France (Mixed Match).

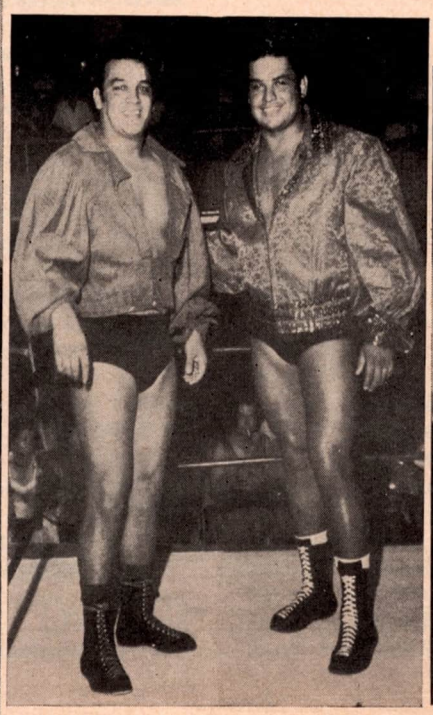


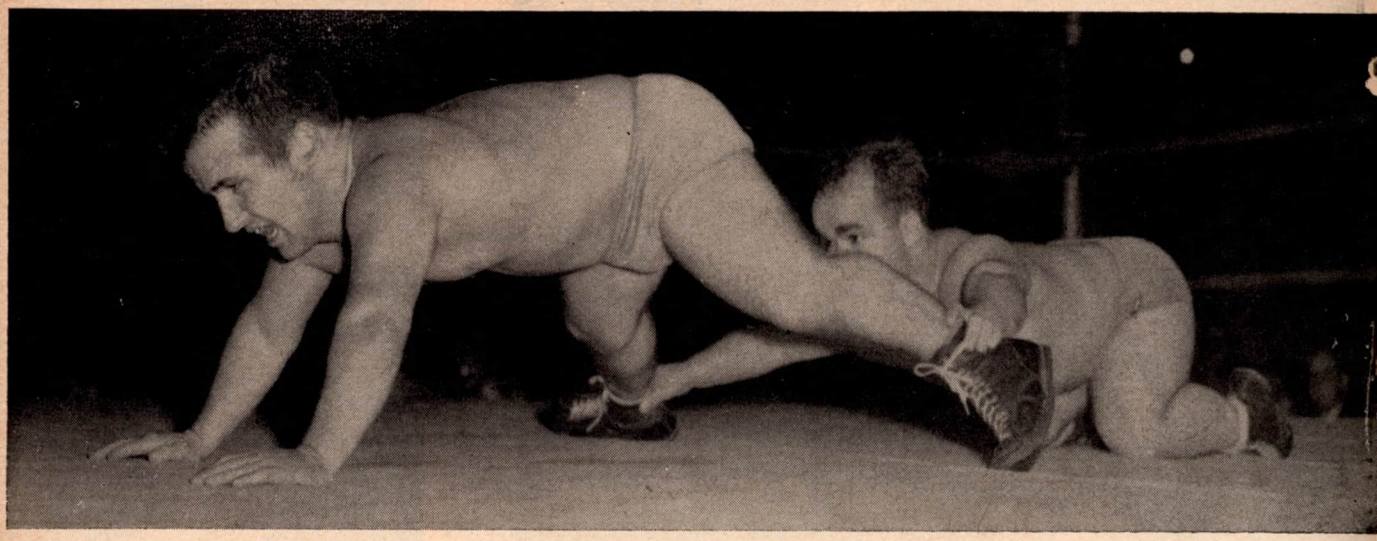


Above: Primo Carnera at 266 pounds goes to work on Karl Von Hess, a 220 pounder in Madison Square Garden match in which Karl used the ropes to gain height but Carnera proved he knew the ropes better as he smashed Karl to defeat. Lower left: P. Y. Chung, a rough, tough Chinese Judo expert, who is one of the top Oriental wrestlers.

Tito Carreon (left) and Lee Garcia, "The Fabulous Latins," a tag team gaining in fan appeal; Above: Ricki Starr, ballet twisting mat star now in California thrilling the crowds; Below: Red Berry, a "Big Draw" on his own, who is also the manager of the "Kangarooss," a top tag team.







Billy The Kid is unhappy as Tiny Tim Girard pulls The Kid's legs apart in a fancy "split". *"Ouch! It hurts,"* says Billy, a badman on the receiving end for a change. Tiny Tim won the match via a pin. (Photo by Read)

Antonino Rocca, 220, Buenos Aires, Argentina, def. Angelo Savoldi, 227, Hoboken, N.J.

Pat O'Connor def. Whipper Billy Watson, 235, Toronto, Ontario, by disq.

FINAL DAY:

Ken Lorrimer def. Al Pago Pago.

Dandy Andy Moore, 90, Toronto, Ontario, def. Farmer Pete, 92, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Johnny Foti and Maurice Lapointe def. Tiny Mills and Angelo Savoldi.

Pat O'Connor vs. Antonino Rocca—Both disq.

Millie Stafford def. Kathy Starr.

Gene Kiniski def. Whipper Watson.

Referee-in-charge, appointed by the National Wrestling Alliance, St. Louis, Missouri: Jesus (The Mighty Ursus) Ortega.

"NATURE BOY" BUDDY ROGERS
By EVELYN LESH

In Chicago, "Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers defeated Pat O'Connor to become the new NWA Heavyweight Wrestling Champion of the World. Buddy granted me an interview at Forbes Field.

I asked him, *"How does it feel to have finally won the title?"*

There was no hesitation as he answered in a well modulated voice tinged with pride. *"I've reached the peak. It's what I've been working for all my professional career. It's a wonderful feeling. Now the problem is to maintain my standing and hold on to the belt as long as I possibly can."*

Buddy's long career as a wrestler began back in the Camden, New Jersey YMCA. He started body building and wrestling as an amateur at the tender age of eleven. He continued to wrestle for seven years in the amateur ranks, and at the age of eighteen left high school in the eleventh grade to begin his career as a professional mat man. His first match was at the old Garden Pier in Atlantic City. His opponent was veteran Jim Austeri. Buddy won the bout and went on to win his next 58 matches before his winning streak was upset by Joe Cox.

He had a short career as a policeman and served in the Navy during World War II. During the 1940's the name of Buddy Rogers was well known in wrestling circles and other wrestlers started to borrow the name. So in 1945 Buddy took the necessary legal steps to protect his name, and there is only one Buddy Rogers in professional wrestling today. He credits Fred Grabmire with teaching him the tricks a pro must know to succeed in the squared circle. And he said that his specialty, the figure four grapevine is a variation of a hold he learned from Fred years ago.

He claims that the strut with which all fans are familiar was originated by him and that it is copied by 90% of all other wrestlers. Since I have seen a strut used before Buddy's time, I can't credit him with originating it. I do, however, credit him with popularizing it. He also went on record as believing that each promoter has an imitator of Buddy Rogers to draw the fans in his area. He seems quite proud to be imitated but assured me that after all there can only be ONE ORIGINAL.

The nickname "Nature Boy" was given him by the fans. It occurred about the same time as the song of the same name was popular. *"I used to wear a white chenille robe into the ring and when I would open it, and the fans would see my tanned physique contrasting with the robe, they would yell Nature Boy."*

At the age of 38 Buddy after 20 years as a professional has met all of the top wrestlers. I asked him to name his 3 toughest opponents.

Quickly, he answered, *"Johnny Valentine, Argentina Rocca."* Then he paused and appeared lost in deep thought. *"I can't limit it to so few as there are several others I should name. I would have to include Billy Darnell, Lou Thesz and John Paul Henning."*

Buddy heartily recommends body building and wrestling for all young boys. He feels that no matter what line of work they take up, a program of physical fitness will always be helpful.

His future plans include a trip to London, France and Germany. Since he speaks fluent German and has relatives there he is especially looking forward to this part of his trip.

EVELYN STEVENS
By LARRY LEWIS

Out of Nashville, Tennessee comes a slim, honey blonde, who is one of the newest and brightest additions to the lady wrestling profession. The charming little lady is twenty-one year old Evelyn Stevens. Looking at Evelyn, you might see a movie star, dancer or actress but she is a professional wrestler and proud of it.

Evelyn was born on a farm in Tennessee but grew up in

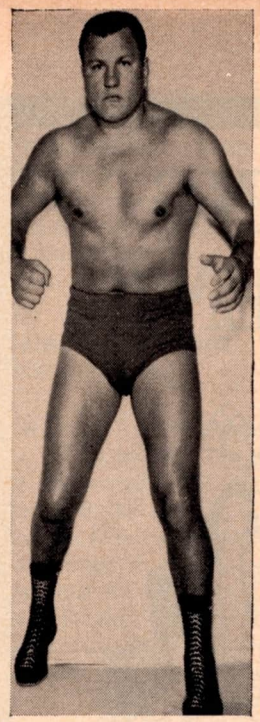
Nashville. She was a stand-out athlete in high school being picked as a all state basketball player. She also likes to swim and ride horseback.

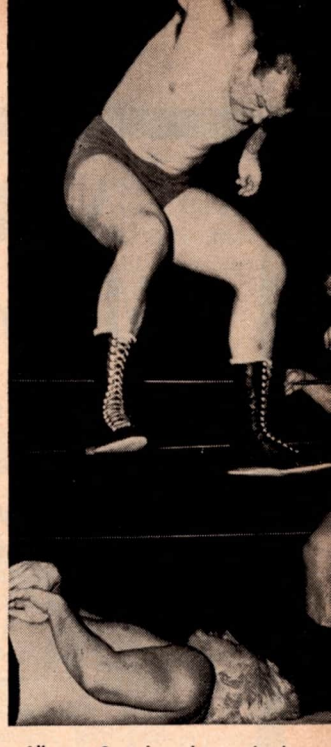
Evelyn has been a wrestler for three years now and has loved every minute of it. She says, *"I love the business, the money isn't bad and I have seen a lot of the country, I would have missed if it hadn't been for wrestling. Most of all I love to wrestle."* Evelyn travels 2,000 to 3,000 miles a week, usually driving her own car and on long trips she flys. She usually wrestles 5 to 6 nights a week. She wrestles the year round, taking off two weeks at Christmas.

She says *"all of her matches are tough."* She has met wrestlers like Dot Dotson, Barbara Baker, Jessica Rogers, Kathy Starr, Peg King, and Mille Stafford. She leans to the scientific side of wrestling but can play it rough if her opponents want to. Her favorite hold is the flying drop kick. She also possesses a mean body slam.

She is still single and say's, *"I won't marry until I retire from the mat so I can devote my full time to my husband and children."*

Evelyn resides in St. Joseph, Missouri at the present but is looking forward to the day she can return to Nashville.





Gene Kiniski, a native of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, who received Ring Magazine Award as most outstanding wrestler in the Calgary Stampede Tournament late last summer. He is seen in action stamping Roy Shires as referee holds Dick the Bruiser from joining the action. Read report for account of contest elsewhere in issue.

NEW YORK WRESTLING
By JOHN QUAGLIARELLO

One of the top bouts of the year took place in Madison Square Garden before 20,253 frantic fans, who paid $61,995.50 to watch Buddy Rogers successfully defend his NWA heavyweight title against Antonino Rocca. The champ won by a disqualification in a two out of three fall contest.

The platinum blond from Camden, N.J. flipped Rocca at 9:30, for the first fall but 2½ minutes later Rocca evened matters by applying his backbreaker. The third fall never got started officially as Rocca went to work on Rogers before the official gave his consent and before anyone could do very much Rogers found himself the victim of a backbreaker and tossed into a corner and butted.

Referee Jack Hulbert stepped before the dazed and cut up Rogers and disqualified Rocca.

In prelims. Shoeki Baba won over Bruno Sammartino at 5:04 by disqualification; Bearcat Wright pinned Eddie Graham at 9:07; Miguel Perez tossed Skull Murphy at 8:46; Karl von Hess whipped Doug Kinslow at 9:35 and Don Curtis and Mighty Atlas battled to a 15-minute draw.

In tag-team matches. Sailor Thomas and Sweet Daddy Siki defeated Angelo Savoldi and Great Scott in straight falls: Fabulous Kangaroos upset Haystick Calhoun and Man Mountain Campbell in two-out-of-three, and Vittoria Apollo and Johnny Valentine battled to a standoff with Great Togo and Yoshino Sato in a match halted by curfew.

On the Newark card at the Patterson armory, Rocca and Perez remained unbeaten against the reformed team of Lewin and Curtis. Two weeks later, at Patterson, Bob Orton and the Great Scott failed to defeat the unbeaten Latins. Feeling is high throughout New York and New Jersey that Rocca and Perez will soon dethrone the Fabulous Kangaroos.

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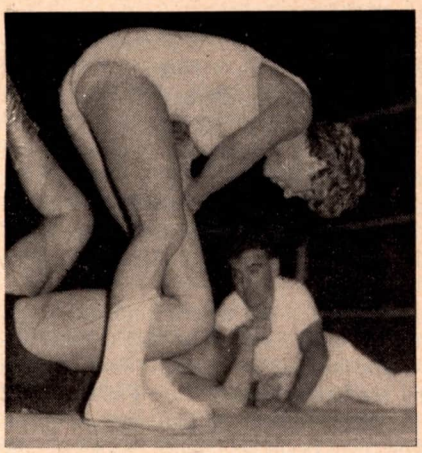
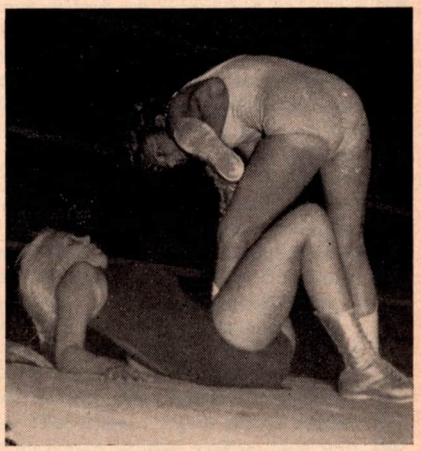


Judy Glover has Penny Banner in tight spot but Penny escapes to pin Judy. (Photo by Read)

Ring correspondent Bob Leonard interview's Judy Glover, the Floridian who has become one of wrestling's top attractions.



Another picture showing the Banner-Glover match with Penny in another tight spot. Judy won this fall but lost the contest two falls to one.

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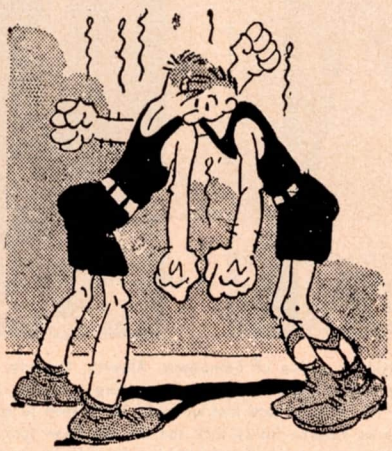

By JOHNNY SHARPE

(British Correspondent, The Ring)

I can well attest to the validity of the old saw about appearances being deceiving.

This incident goes back a half-century, to January, 1912.

My older brother, Jack, boxing as "Young Cohen," had been a popular attraction in London. Now he was campaigning in the United States and fighting such good 'uns as Abe Attell, Johnny Dundee, Joe Shugrue and the like.

I was about 14 at the time and beginning my own ring career. Because of my brother's reputation, I used the name "Kid Cohen," and the matchmakers usually favored me when lining up preliminary bouts.

This night a skinny, sickly-looking kid drifted into the dressing room. None of us preliminary boys knew anything about him, but he looked so forlorn that we nearly mobbed the matchmaker in our scramble to get the assignment.

It looked as though I would be the lucky one, but I was congratulating myself too soon. Matt Wells, the famous English lightweight, had entered the dressing room and was buzzing the matchmaker in a corner. Next thing I knew, Matt's nephew, or "nipper," was being given this apparently easy job.

Matt's nipper and this frail, weak-looking guy left the dressing room for the ring. I sat around bewailing my misfortune and the injustice of matchmakers. Suddenly a loud yell went up in the arena, and somebody shouted: "That was a quick one."

It was the custom in those days for the winning fighter to return first to the dressing room, followed by the loser. When the door opened, I expected to see Wells' nephew step in first. He didn't. It was the skinny guy. He'd needed less than a round to wreck Matt's "nipper."

We learned later that this was his first fight in London, but he'd been running up a sensational record in Welsh rings and booth fights. Frail and sickly though he may have looked, he was destined to become world flyweight champion and one of Britain's all-time greats. I was a lucky young man the night Matt Wells' nephew replaced me against him. He was Jimmy Wilde.

Speaking of the Kangaroos, they scored a major upset at Sunnyside Gardens by defeating the gigantic team of Man Mountain Campbell and The Angel. At the Capital Arena, the Kangaroos beat Billy Darnell and Billy Sybysko. On this same card Lewis and Curtis defeated the Sicilians, Lou Albaro and Tony Altomore. Lewin's back was badly injured and at present he is still in the hospital. He will miss the next Madison Square Garden card.

At Sunnyside Gardens, both Skull Murphy and Karl Von Hess were beaten on the same card. This was expected since Murphy wrestled Tony Rocca and Von Hess took on Argentina Apollo.

A week later an outstanding line-up was arranged for the Long Island City Arena (Sunnyside). The results were: Tony Rocca beat Larry Simon; Bearcat Wright triumphantly returned and beat Tony Altomore; Shohei Baba beat Angelo Savoldi; Raphael Halpern, the National Champion of Israel, pinned Lou Albano in two straight; Miguel Perez upset Steve "Mr. America" Stanlee; Togo and Sato clobbered Bill Sybysko and Eugenio Marin; and finally, the Kangaroos beat Man Mountain Campbell and the Angel.

PHILADELPHIA PHINDINGS
By M. J. WETMORE

The Philadelphia wrestling scene swung back into action with the World Champion, Buddy Rogers, 243, Haddonfield, N. J., meeting Antonino Rocca, 224½, Brooklyn. After being behind for most of the 1st fall, the champion got up first from a double missed dropkick, and pinned Rocca in 18:46. The aroused challenger quickly bounced back to subdue the hated champion with his world famous "backbreaker," taking a mere 2:04. Rodgers was so badly hurt that referee Al Getson ordered a 5-minute rest period. However, Rocca was so intent on winning, he jumped the gun, splitting Rodger's head open, and giving him the backbreaker. As a result Rocca was disqualified.

In the Semi-Final, Sailor Art Thomas, 250, Madison, Wisconsin, and Sweet Daddy Siki, 232, Kingston, Jamaica, won 2-out-of-3 over Karl Von Hess, 221, Germany, and the Black Terror, 260, parts unknown. The first fall went to the popular Negro team after 10:33, when Siki pinned the Terror with a series of flying skull butts. Siki was well on his way to another pin, when The Terror put a piece of metal into his mask. When Siki attempted another skull-butt, it back-fired on him. After driving Siki into his knee a couple of times, the Terror made the pin. Time: 7:27. In the deciding fall, Siki and Thomas went berserk and began to annihilate their opponents. Von Hess came to the aid of the Terror, with a rope he had hidden in his trunks. When he refused to stop choking the big Sailor with it, he was disqualified. Time: 5:14.

In preliminaries: Argentina Apollo, 219, pinned Angelo Savoldi, 228, Parsippany, N. J., with a flying jacknife after 7:45; Bruno Sammartino, 260, Piza-Parato, Italy, crushed Miquel Torres, 245, Mexico, with a bear-hug in 9:15; Bob "the Big O" Orton, 257, Coyote, Kansas, finally overpowered the game and improving Mr. Puerto Rico, 223, after 19:26, and forced him to submit to a Boston Crab; and Philadelphia's own Billy Darnell, 214, made a triumphant return to action by pinning Tony Altemore, 231, with an airplane spin. Time was 11:16.

The next Philadelphia show at the Arena Antonino Rocca gave Bob Orton a real wrestling lesson. The "Big O" was disqualified after 0:27 of the first fall for attacking Rocca before the bell sounded and for hitting referee Tom Finley. In the second fall, Rocca completely outclassed Orton, using all his patented tricks until he could begin his famous dropkicks, and then go into the backbreaker. The end came after 7:46. Rocca might get another chance at Buddy Rodgers because of his showing here.

The Tuxedoed "Sicillians," Lou Albano and Tony Altemore, made a rare local appearance successful by taking Miquel Perez, 220, Puerto Rico, and newcomer, Wilfredo Nieves, 218, Morrisville, Pa. The Sicillians ganged up on Nieves and battered him unmercifully until Altemore pinned him with a body slam in 9:34. Then, the aroused Perez laced into both Sicillians, climaxing his fast and furious attack with an "Alligator clutch" on Altemore for the second fall after 1:35. Perez continued to do outstanding work in the second fall, but Nieves made the mistake of trying to make a pin near the Sicillian corner. Albano sprung on him with a kneedrop off the top rope and then rolled him over for the fall. Time: 8:19. In answer to the crowd's protest, Rocca appeared to challenge the Sicillians, causing them to hastily depart for parts unknown. After Nieves was carried out of the ring, Rocca and Perez staged a sit-down strike, until promoter Ray Fabiani assured them they would have an opportunity to face the Sicillians in the near future.

In one-fall matches: Bruno Sammartino let the Black Terror knock himself out by missing a skull butt and then squashed him with a flying body press in 6:34; Art "Sailor" Thomas easily took over Angelo Savoldi with a bear-hug after 7:21; 601-lb. Haystack Calhoun, Morgan's Corners, Arkansas, defeated the team of Judo Jack Terry, 225, Santa Monica, Calif. and Fred Atkins, 254 of Australia, by delivering his "Big Splash" to Terry after 5:42; and old local rivals, Billy Darnell, Philadelphia and the Great Scott, Camden, battled to a rather undistinguished "no contest" in 14:38.

As a special attraction, midgets, Marcel Semart, 94, Paris, and Little Boy Blue, 96, Chicago, faced Pee Wee Lopez (now a bleached blonde!) 103, Mexico, and Tiny Bell, Hamilton, Ontario, 97. The former team took 2-out-of-3 falls, dropping the 1st one to Lopez via a body slam in 12:34, and taking the next two, the times being 0:56 and 11:23, respectively, and both achieved by the newly popular "Alligator clutch."

MASSACHUSETTS MAT ACTION
By DICK HYATT

The Teuton Terror has invaded the Bay State. Hans Schmidt, a 6 foot 6 inch, 265 pound wildman from Teuton, Germany, made a successful return to local rings with 2 victories in successive weeks.

Making his first appearance here since June of 1960, Schmidt won easily over Mr. Black Magic and then was awarded a disputable victory over popular Dominic DeNucci. In both bouts Schmidt put his U.S. heavyweight title on the line. He claims the championship on the basis of a string of victories over top wrestlers from all over the country.

The bout with DeNucci was the most exciting and action-packed contest presented by promoter Tony Santos at the arena this fall. Although he has wrestled as a partner with former world champion Ed Carpentier, and easily won over The Boston Bruiser and Pierre La Chapelle in previous Boston appearances, DeNucci still had to prove himself to a skeptical audience.

He more than did this before the evening was over. Schmidt captured the first fall with a back breaker, but the young Italian came back with blistering attack topped off by a reverse crade hold to square matters away. After several minutes of fast action Schmidt gained the upper hand and forced his opponent's shoulders to the canvas.

Everyone breathed a sigh of relief however, as they noticed that De Nucci's foot was hanging on the lower rope, but one person—referee Al Castoldi—did not and he counted to three and proclaimed Schmidt the winner. This brought Ilio DiPalo, who wrestled in the semi final, into the ring to argue the point for his fellow countryman. He went after the referee without any success, but gained some satisfaction by knocking Schmidt out of the ring.

Ilio and his partner Frank Scarpa were involved in a wild tag team bout against Wild Bull Curry and Chuck Montana. Curry used his always handy brass knuckles on Scarpa to win the first fall but they proved his downfall when he was later disqualified for using them on DiPalo. In the middle fall Frank got fed up with the rough tactics of his opponents, grabbed a chair, belted both into a state of bewilderment, then pinned Montana for the fall.

LOS ANGELES WRESTLING
By MIKE STENSVOLD

Mat results from the Olympic Auditorium: The first match was a fifteen minute draw between Leo Garibaldi and Mr. Moto. The second match, the best of the evening, saw the team of Bernie Burke and Little Beaver emerge triumphant over the team of Irish Jackie, 90 pounds, Ireland, and Fuzzy Cupid, 96, Hollywood, in a midget tag team match. In the third match of the card Art "Seaman" Thomas's famous bear hug disposed of Stanley "Crusher" Kowalski. Then Tricky Ricki Starr defeated Soldat Gorki, who wrestles as John Smith here. Lou Thesz came back from the brink of defeat with a dropkick to pin Fred "The Brute" Atkins. The main event was perhaps the most sought after bout ever held in L.A. World's heavyweight champion (W.W.A. version) Freddie Blassie put his title on the line against the Amazing Antonino Rocca. The first fall lasted 15 minutes, 26 seconds, and it was won by Blassie with a series of knee drops. The second fall was Rocca's when Fred gave up to a backbreaker. The third fall never started. Sometime between the end of the second fall and 10:15 p.m., Rocca became so infuriated with the champion that he put Blassie into the backbreaker again. When he refused to put Blassie down, the referee disqualified Rocca. Then came the fireworks, as Leo Garibaldi entered the ring to calm the crazed Rocca. Antonino dropkicked Garibaldi and knocked him flat, then Seaman Thomas entered the ring. With Garibaldi's help, the referee and Thomas finally got Rocca out of the ring. Blassie still holds the belt he won June 12 from Ed Carpentier, and it looks like he'll keep it for a long time.

On another card from the Olympic, Alberto Torres and Freddie Atkins went to a fifteen minute draw, Ramon Torres was awarded a decision over Fritz "The Clawman" Von Goering when Fritz applied a chin lock a little too close to the neck, 262 pound Crusher Kowalski used his "Pulverizer" to stop Ricky Rommel after 7:32, and a team composed of Leo Garibaldi and Art Thomas decomposed a team of Nikita Mulkovitch and Soldat Gorki.

At the KTLA studios, Haystack Calhoun beat John L. and Jack Terry, Kenji Shibuya defeated Wilson Colbricker, Pepper Gomez used an abdominal stretch to send Hajii Baba unhappily to the showers, Bobo Brazil beat Don Duffey with a head butt and body press in 3:39, and Ray Stevens, who claims that HE is the true World's Champion, defeated Don Moore. There seem to be more championships than wrestlers these days.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ACTION
By PAUL PETERSON

Wrestling in Southern California enjoyed its best year in 1961, the main reason—Freddy Blassie.

Blassie came upon California with a boom. Remembered as Fred McDaniels the fans felt that they would see only clean, scientific wrestling. Instead they saw a raving maniac in a bleached blond Blassie. To say that Blassie immediately became hated is an understatement.

The wild man from St. Louis came to Los Angeles with a variety of tricks, and "cute" maneuvers, choking, biting, pulling hair and trunks with one hand while holding onto the ropes with the other. But everything paid off well for Fred.

In his first big match he sold out the Olympic Auditorium against Mr. Moto. The bout went to a draw, in what was one of the wildest matches seen in over twenty years of wrestling at the giant Olympic. A rematch in chicken and barbed wire resulted. Moto, who is a pretty unscrupulous character himself, had the sellout crowd 99% in back of him. Through his foul tactics Blassie eked out victory. Following the match Blassie was showered with beer and knifed. All the time the blond bomber stood there beating his chest in victory.

Blassie went to work again shortly following the Moto bouts, this time with a rougher wrestler, Count Billy Varga. Once again the Olympic was sold out. In a match conducted under rough house rules Varga was getting the better of it, and had the "maniac" bleeding when suddenly the Count was thrown to the floor where he lost the match.

Everything was set. Blassie was to meet Edouard Carpentier at the Los Angeles Sports Arena for the world championship.

Before an all time indoor mat record in California, 15,000 with a gross of over $40,000, Blassie became his worst self when he lifted the title from the injured Frenchman.

Coming back to the Sports Arena Fred successfully defended his belt against Lou Thesz, before 13,000 and a gross of $38,000.

In just five matches Freddy Blassie had become California's top gate attraction, demanded in San Francisco, Fred promptly sold out the Cow Palace. In three more Olympic Auditorium title defenses he sold out against Dick Hutton, and Sandor Szabo (twice.)

WALTER GALLI – SPORTS CARTOONIST

It was back in February, 1932, that WALTER GALLI–whose authoritative drawings appear regularly in the RING and other publications–first broke into print.

Those were the bleak days of the great Depression—tough days indeed for a young fellow making the rounds.

This day our hero was at the offices of the old N.Y. Enquirer; and it happened that a last minute change of plans called for a new drawing on the sports page—one to publicize the forthcoming heavyweight bout between Natie Brown and Vincente Parille (Feb. 26, 1932).

Well, Marcus Griffin, ye editor, hurriedly dispatched the young fellow to the Forrest Hotel in West 49th St.—there to meet the late, great sports writer, DAMON RUNYON, who provided some notes and photos of Parille, an Argentinian import.

The drawing was duly sweated over—completed—and the first of many deadlines was met.

The fight? Oh yes–the fight was nothing to write home about—but it was the nostalgic beginning of a somewhat checkered career . . .

RINGSIDE – CLEVELAND
***By* BOB VOLEK**

Ilio DiPaolo, popular Italian heavyweight, set up a roadblock in the path of the Sheik's victory train when he battled the Lebanese madman to a double disqualification verdict at the Arena.

After splitting the first two falls, both grapplers landed outside the ring during the third stanza and proceeded to battle it out on the Arena floor. Neither heeded the count of the referee and the bout was declared a "No Contest." DiPaolo becomes the first wrestler in this area to come even close to beating the Syrian Sheik. Previous to the DiPaolo bout, the Sheik had rattled off wins against Bearcat Wright, Hercules Romero, Miguel Perez, Dominic Bravo, and Chet Wallick.

The "firebolt" tactic of the Sheik has the fans in a frenzy, trying to figure out just exactly how he produces the sheet of flame in the palm of his hand. This maneuver has won the Sheik many a match and it is about time that somebody put a stop to this Syrian madman.

Live tv-studio wrestling returned to WJW-tv studios with Professor "X" continuing as Cleveland's commentator. On the very first show, the Professor ran into trouble, spelled S-H-E-I-K. After beating and blinding his opponent, newcomer Jim Brady, the Sheik went over to the masked man and was yelling something at him in Arabic. Then the Sheik produced the flame and shot it into Prof. "X's" face and stunned him. When "X" recovered, he stated that if it weren't for his mask, his eyes would be in bad shape as a result of the flame throwing of the Sheik.

As if the Shiek wasn't enough trouble for one afternoon, the Tolos brothers, Chris and John, had to get in their usual two cents worth. The "Canadian Wreckers" ranted and raved at "X" and then attempted to rip off his mask, but "X" pushed them away.

The Tolos brothers, former NWA World Tag Team Champions, met two teams, in recent weeks, that were capable of battling it out toe-to-toe with them. The first such team they met at the Arena was Fritz von Erich and Bobo Brazil. Fritz and Bobo, arch-rivals, agreed to team up after von Erich's original partner, Ilio DiPaolo, was forced to the sidelines with a head injury in a New York State match. The Canadian Wrecking Crew were matched blow for blow by the powerful German-Negro team, and at the end, the Toloses were the worse for wear. The bout ended in a 30-minute draw and was packed with action from the opening bell.

CHICAGO ACTION
***By* TOM LAUTERBACK**

Before getting down to business for this month, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Mat World fans a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Since my last column was published, Promoter Fred Kohler has presented three great Amphitheatre cards, featuring such stars as Rogers, Rocca, Kowalski, Valentine, Orton, and Sammartino. Some of the results were: Buddy Rogers pinned Bruno Sammartino after being teamed with Bob Orton in an unsuccessful attempt to defeat Sammartino and Johnny Valentine; Antonino Rocca and Vittorio Apollo defeated the teams of Don Curtis and Mark Lewin and The Great Togo and Yoshino Sato, both via DQ's.

Art Thomas beat "Moose" Cholak as Cholak was unable to re-enter the ring; and 7′, 315 lb. Shohei Baba made short work of both Jack Allen and "Sweet Daddy" Siki.

In other matches, impressive newcomer John Paul Henning finished off veteran Fred Atkins with a bow-and-arrow, "The Crusher" pinned Carl Engstrom, and Miguel Perez and Santiago Acosta defeated Sicilian Lou Albano and Johnny Kace, who replaced Tony Altomare, Albano's regular partner.

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MIAMI MAT MOTION
By KEN MITNICK

Flash! Eddie Graham and Dickie Steinborn beat Roy Heffernan and Al Costello for the United States Heavyweight Tag Team Championship at the Miami Beach Auditorium.

Yes, the fabulous Kangroos are no longer the U.S. Tag Team Champs. The ever popular team of Eddie Graham and Dick Steinborn pinned them in two out of three falls.

The first fall went to the Kangaroos at 8:43 with a backbreaker and a press on Graham applied by Costello. The second fall went to Steinborn at 12:06 with a Texas Octopus on Heffernan. After about six minutes of wild action, Costello was working on Graham's back. Heffernan mounted the top rope to apply an Australian Kneedrop. Steinborn leaped over the top rope and pushed Costello into the turnbuckle causing Heffernan to fall. Steinborn placed Graham on top of Costello for the fall and the championship.

In an exclusive interview with the new champs, I was told by them that they will try to take on as many worthy contenders as possible. Said Graham, *"If there is a team who can beat us fairly, let them wear the crown."* Spoken as a true sportsman.

Tito Carreon, the sensational 223 pound Puerto Rican beat "Wild Red" Berry by disqualification. Berry persisted in punching referee Tony Nero. Carreon has a quick and unusual repertoire and very colorful. *"I wrestle for my public, not myself,"* says Tito. Tito has recently teamed up with his brother Rito.

On the distaff side, Dorothy Carter beat Jane Perez in a one fall, 30 minute match. In another 30 minute match, Jerry Kozak beat the Japanese Jiu Jitsu artist, Tojo Yamamoto with a Bulldog Headlock.

The match which created the most interest was a 1 Fall-45 minute time limit match which put Nick Kozak against Taro Myaki, another Jap. After twenty-one minutes of rough and tumble action, Myaki's second, Yamamoto jumped into the ring and applied a claw hold to Kozak's midsection. In the meantime, Myaki attacked referee Nero. With a judo chop, Nero was knocked cold. Then both Japs went to work with two claw holds on Kozak at the same time. A fan, who could stand no more of this, jumped into the ring and started to slug Yamamoto, who was, to say the least, startled. It took five policemen and a number of Andy Frain ushers to break up the fracas. Kozak won the match by disqualification.

INDIANA NEWS
By TEXAS BOB UTTER

The biggest thing to hit Hoosierland since the Milan Indians capture of the state basketball crown in the mid 50's is a young wrestling sensation by the name of Cowboy Bob Ellis.

Ellis, a lanky 230 pounder hailing from San Antonio, Tex., won the United States version of the heavyweight crown from Dick (The Bruiser) Afflis before 9,800 at Victory Field baseball park, home of the Indianapolis Indians.

The Bruiser won the first fall in 11 minutes; Ellis captured second honors in three and won the third and deciding frame in six minutes. Action was halted by the commission doctor due to cuts on the Bruiser's face.

Art and Stan Neilson won the tag tournament defeating Angelo Poffo and Bronco Lubich in a two out of three fall bout.

Other results:

Poffo-Lubich defeated the Hillbillies; the Bravo brothers gained the nod over Killer Kowalski and Tiny Smith; John Blanchard-Bozo Brazil defeated the Masked Grouches; Poffo-Lubich nodded the Bravos, while former heavyweight champion Pat O'Connor defeated Jack Allen and the Russian Angel in a handicap match.

ST. LOUIS WRESTLING
By LARRY MATYSIK

Buddy Rogers, "Cowboy" Bob Ellis, Pat O'Connor, John Paul Henning, Ronnie Etchison, and Buddy Austin were the names heard most in St. Louis wrestling circles this past month. They combined in some thrilling main events at Kiel Auditorium.

The first card of the month was presented by Sam Muchnick before an overflow crowd of 11,562 fans at Kiel Auditorium. Popular "Cowboy" Bob Ellis went down in heroic defeat before world champion Buddy Rogers in the best of three falls. The Cowboy swept Rogers off his feet for the first fall in 16:28 with his famed bulldogging headlock. The fans were in a frenzy when Ellis started the second fall by giving Rogers a bulldog headlock, but the wily champion shoved Ellis off and applied his crippling figure four grapevine to win the fall in 1:58. Needless to say, Ellis was in no shape to continue the third fall so the bout was stopped and awarded to Rogers.

A small but enthusiastic crowd of 5621 saw the second Kiel card of the month, which had two finales. In the first, former World Champion Pat O'Connor (who now holds the U.S. Championship) won a hard-fought bout from Ronnie Etchison of Missouri. Neither man could get his specialty and when Etchison tried a giant swing, O'Connor tricked him into a reverse Boston Crab to win the sportsmanlike match. The final bout sent villianous Buddy Austin, who battled to a bloody no-contest with Johnny Valentine last month, duel the sensational John Paul Henning. Henning had the upper hand until Austin knocked him from the ring. Buddy enraged the crowd as he applied his reverse arm drop on J.P. outside the ring. When Austin refused to quit, referee Babe Martin disqualified him, giving the bout to the ever-popular Henning.

The undercard on the Rogers-Ellis bout was a real thriller. In the semi-final former frogman John Paul Henning teamed with Missourian Ronnie Etchison to take two straight falls from rugged Buddy Austin and Japanese Taro Myaki. Austin and Myaki were disqualified in the first fall and Etchison pinned Myaki to win the decider. In a girls' bout former heroine and now villianesse Jessica Rogers pinned Barbara Baker, fiery Lorenzo Parente stopped tough Danny Dusek, Marquis De Pare clobbered Bob Clark, and Bob Boyer drew with young Bobby Graham.

SOUTHERN WRESTLING NEWS

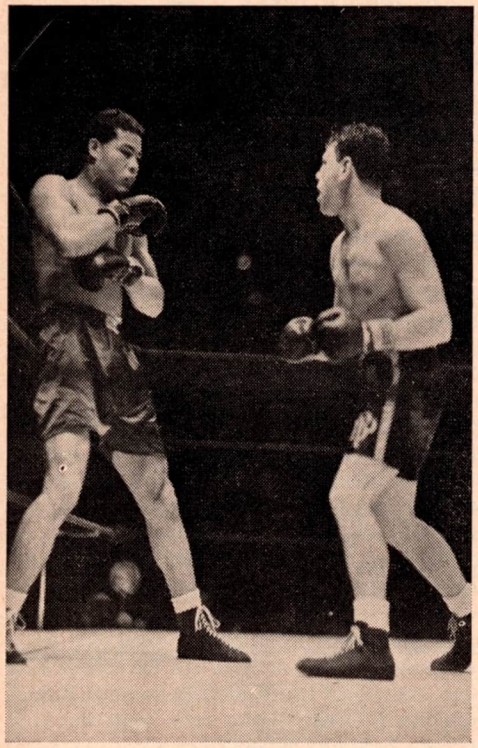
Waldo Von Eric, strong and vicious German who recently left the Carolinas has been appearing in Texas, bowling over foes in the Lone Star State.

Trech Phillips, a favorite in Southern rings and rated as one of the best among the lighter wrestling men, is also in Texas and has made a big hit in Dallas, Beaumont, Houston, and

Pat O'Hara, well known wrestler has turned promoter in Lakeland, Florida.

Pat had such top names as Kurt and Karl Von Brauner, Eddie Graham, Buddy "Killer" Austin, a 240 pounder from California, Harvey "Georgia Boy" Smith, a muscular lad from Atlanta, a Clever Latin Luis Rodriquez, Clever Tennessean Jerry Miller from Nashville, and Tito Carreon on recent weekly programs at The National Guard Armory.

SPOT THE GOOFS!



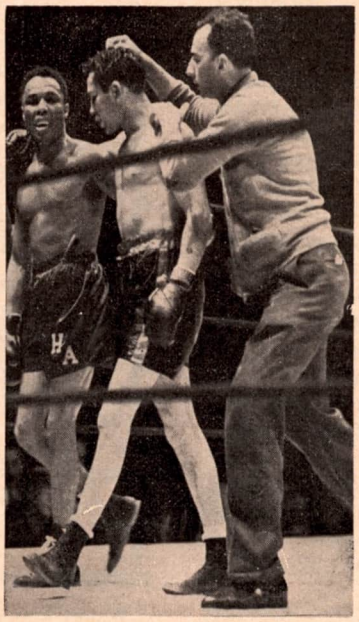
How to play "Spot The Goofs". There are twelve statements on this page and mixed in with the facts are some fiction. You have to seek them out and get the facts straight. Give yourself five points for each error you find. Play the game with your friends and family. Answers are listed in rear of book—have fun finding them. Are you a champion, contender, club fighter or preliminary boy.

1. JOE LOUIS IS SENT BACK ON HIS HEELS FROM THE ATTACK OF BOB PASTOR IN THE EIGHTH ROUND OF THEIR TITLE BOUT IN DETROIT IN WHICH JOE STOPPED HIS GAME FOE IN THE ELEVENTH ROUND. THIS WAS THE LAST SCHEDULED TWENTY ROUND TITLE FIGHT.

2. WHEN BENNY PARET DEFEATED EMILE GRIFFITH TO REGAIN THE WELTER TITLE IT MARKED THE FIRST TIME A FIGHTER WHO WAS KNOCKED OUT WAS ABLE TO REGAIN THE TITLE FROM THE SAME MAN IN ANY OTHER DIVISION BUT THE HEAVYWEIGHT.

3. JACK ROOT WHO WAS ELECTED TO THE BOXING HALL OF FAME THIS YEAR IS THE SECOND OLDEST LIVING EX CHAMPION.

4. IT WAS THE EIGHTH ROUND OF THE SECOND MARCIANO-CHARLES FIGHT IN THE YANKEE STADIUM, SEPTEMBER 17, 1954. ROCKY'S NOSE WAS SPLIT WIDE OPEN AND HIS CORNERMEN COULD NOT STOP THE FLOW OF BLOOD AS HE ANSWERED THE BELL FOR THE EIGHTH ROUND. THEY TRADED HARD LEFT HOOKS TO THE HEAD AND A CUT OPENED UP OVER



ROCKY'S LEFT EYE. CHARLES SHOT A HARD RIGHT TO THE EYE. MARCIANO LANDED A GOOD RIGHT HAND COUNTER PUNCH. CHARLES LANDED HEAVILY TO THE BODY. IT LOOKED BAD FOR ROCKY. A LEFT HOOK TO THE JAW SHOOK UP CHARLES. ANOTHER RIGHT STAGGERED THE CHALLENGER. THEN A RIGHT TO THE JAW DROPPED EZZARD FOR A COUNT OF NINE, HE JUST BEAT THE COUNT. A FLURRY OF PUNCHES FOLLOWED WITH A LEFT HOOK SENDING HIM TO THE CANVAS FOR THE FULL COUNT. THE TIME WAS 2:36 OF THE ROUND.

5. HENRY ARMSTRONG IS CONGRATULATED BY BARNEY ROSS AFTER THE ST. LOUIS DYNAMO HAD LIFTED THE WELTERWEIGHT TITLE FROM ROSS VIA A DECISION IN THE LONG ISLAND BOWL. IT COMPLETED THE SWEEP OF THREE DIVISIONS FOR HENRY WHO ALSO HELD THE FEATHERWEGHT AND LIGHTWEIGHT CROWNS.

6. THE LOSS SUFFERED BY ROSS MARKED THE FIRST TIME THAT A CHAMPION FAILED TO RETAIN HIS TITLE IN A FIGHT AT THE HISTORIC GARDEN BOWL IN LONG ISLAND CITY.

7. THE NAMES OF THE FAMOUS FIGHTING ZIVIC BROTHERS WERE FRITZIE, JOE, EDDIE, PETE AND FRANK. ANOTHER FAMOUS FAMILY OF FIGHTING BROTHERS WERE THE DeJOHNS, MIKE, JOEY, RALPH AND CARMEN.

8. THERE HAVE BEEN MANY DRAWS IN CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHTS OVER THE YEARS, BUT THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A DRAW IN A HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT.

9. JERSEY JOE WALCOTT IS THE ONLY MAN IN MODERN FISTIC HISTORY TO HAVE SCORED VICTORIES OVER A FATHER AND SON. HE KNOCKED OUT BOTH HAROLD JOHNSON AND HIS FATHER WILLIE.

10. THERE HAVE BEEN SOUTHPAW CHAMPIONS IN EVERY CLASS BUT THE HEAVYWEIGHT AND FLYWEIGHT DIVISIONS.

11. WHEN FLOYD PATTERSON KNOCKED OUT INGEMAR JOHANSSON TO REGAIN THE HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE HE COMPLETED THE CYCLE. NOW THE TITLE HAS BEEN REGAINED IN EACH OF THE CLASSES FLYWEIGHT TO HEAVYWEIGHT

12. THE TWO FORMER HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS WHO HAD IMPORTANT ROLES IN THE FILM "THE HARDER THEY FALL" WERE PRIMO CARNERA AND MAX BAER.

HIT OR MISS

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almost unnoticed. If there ever was a "miss," it was Moore when New York first saw him in the mid-1940s—and he didn't make it then.

Five more years were to pass before he glimpsed the promised land via a light heavyweight title fight with Joey Maxim. It was his first national shot on TV. He made a winning fight and what was more, he poured forth his heart when they handed him the mike.

The folks at home decided they liked this picturesque, old guy with the goatee and crisp speech. The romance became mutual. Moore added intrigue with his "mystery diet," borrowed from *"an aboriginee in the Australian bush,"* and then instituted the first Bermuda-length boxing shorts in history.

In the mid-1950s Archie became the first ballyhoo-by-mail challenger for the heavyweight championship. He failed bravely against Marciano but his niche was assured. He is still perched there perkily, although he could go any day, like the one-horse shay.

It is plainly possible to achieve "hit" ranking without sheer popularity. Sugar Ray Robinson proves that point. He is intriguing, interesting, but not sympathetically received by the fans. As one looks back, it is clear that Sugar aggressively fended off idolatry, except for friendships with important public figures.

While Louis remained accessible to all, Robinson stayed aloof. The symbol of Sugar's sway as middleweight champion was his entourage—a fistful of trainers, a barber, a valet, a dramatic coach etc. And various "spokesmen," who were his contact with press and public.

Earlier Griffith was cited as a current champion who has made it big with the customers, along with Moore . . . new prospects for same? Surely, what about Terry Downes?

Downes, a Briton who once served in the U.S. Marines, is a sunburst of cheeriness as an individual, as well as a scrappy, spirited guy in the ring. He created friends when he was a loser by a TKO in a title challenge to Paul Pender early this year in Boston. Last summer he became Mr. Middleweight champion in New York, Massachusetts and Europe by stopping Pender in London. If he licks Paul again (in Boston) in characteristic style, he'd be home free.

There has to be a mixed report on Gene Fullmer, National Boxing Association-approved middleweight titleholder. Everybody is drawn to the blocky, muscled man from Utah for his decency and determination. But, having watched him fight, the man in the street draws back. It is distressingly true that Gene has avoided taint by science or even affiliation with the moves of a stimulating club-fighter.

The lightweight champion, Joe (Old Bones) Brown, is close to being a "hit," yet he isn't quite up there. It might be lack of TV exposure in the last few years. He never has been on the Saturday circuit. While the Wednesday network was still in operation, Old Bones showed his manifold talents as a boxer and puncher.

Given his head, Brown might fascinate the nation. He's a garrulous ancient, with a nice turn of humor. After fights with southpaws Kenny Lane and Dave Charnley, he'd said: *"Southpaws? I can beat 'em but there ought to be a law against them."* On his hitting tools, he'd said: *"I knock 'em down with my right; I knock 'em out with my left."*

Davey Moore, the featherweight champion, is no kin to Archie—and more's the pity. He could walk up and down Broadway without being noticed. As with Brown, he has been an orphan so far as Saturday TV is concerned. He was seen dethroning Hogan (Kid) Bassey on the Wednesday deal and repeated against Bassey for that outfit. He moves well, makes a good appearance. But, in 1959-1960, his ports of call ranged from London to Tokyo. The only U.S. town he performed in was Albuquerque, New Mexico . . . how can anybody know him when he never tours America?

Here's another TV-blocked potential—Eder Jofre of Brazil, the NBA-recognized bantam champion. He's young, dynamic (has never lost, won his last 10 in a row by knockout) but the powers that be in the Saturday air league proclaim there's no audience-response to little men, however talented.

Harry Markson, who operates the Garden's boxing department, made a trip to Caracas, Venezuela, to scout Jofre. He returned voicing raves over the fellow: *"A complete fighter, does everything beautifully, the best of his size since Sixto Escobar."* But even he admitted: *"What's the use? I can't sell him to the sponsor."*

So where are we? We're staring directly at the heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson, historically unparalleled as the only Queensberry king ever to regain the championship . . . an estimable citizen, a good family man and a young man of dignity when he gets out in public.

But he doesn't get out often. As a result, between Floyd and the average fight fan there appears to be a vacuum. No important points of disagreement, mind you, he is generally approved of. We say generally because there are some folks who downgrade him as easy-to-hit etc., and others who disparage his opponent-picking. Yet it is on the record that, apart from his first fight with Ingemar Johansson, he finishes up by putting the other fellow on the floor for keeps. Ingo got it twice. Opponent-picking? Well, Louis had his Bum-of-the-Month Club.

Basically, however, it must be granted that there is no authentic rapport between Patterson and the crowd. Regretably, this flattens him as a "hit."

For what small comfort there could be to the champion, he might bear in mind the fact that nobody else in the so-called high heavyweight echelon is close to that bracket.

Sonny Liston had been a hot "menace," with support from many quarters on his apparently devastating punch and immense strength. Then came his involvement in that Philadelphia car incident and its unpleasant repercussions. It knocked the props from under him. Now the fans just don't care when he gets his chance, if at all.

Playboy Johansson, a big thing with a big cross-section of the population while he was champion, cooled off following his third Patterson fight.

Henry Cooper, the Britisher? Never gets more than a "who he?" here. Eddie Machen still leaves 'em unexcited. Alejandro Lavorante, the new Argentine who made his mark with an upset KO of Zora Folley, has possibly the best chance to woo public backing. But he hasn't done enough yet.

In Montreal probably you can locate a straight ticket for Bob Cleroux, a local hopeful. In Arlington, Mass., the residence of undefeated Tom McNeeley, you likely could get votes for the lad slated to fight Patterson next.

But current ranks of other divisions are not bereft of candidates for fan-favored slotting.

Although dampened by his split-decision escape against antique Eddie Cotton in Seattle, Harold Johnson, the NBA light heavy champion, has come nearer to acceptance than at any time in his long career. In a sense, he is duplicating the late-in-life surge of his old nemesis, Moore. His back-to-back non-TV knockouts of Jesse Bowdry and Von Clay lent him a new dash and a daring. But Harold badly needs the magic lantern to bring him into the popularity circle.

Already benefitting from same is amiable Doug Jones, unbeaten New York light heavyweight. His recent two KOs over Pete Rademacher and Von Clay were TV-viewed and prompted home set owners to ask: *"Where has he been? This boy looks like a fighter."*

Still, one can ask, as Dick Tiger does, what price TV popularity? The British Empire middleweight champion was all over the dial here for the better part of

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two years. He was a consistent winner, often spectacular. But he couldn't get what he yearned for most, a crack at either the NBA or the New York crown, and went back home to Nigeria. Now he is back in the U.S., hoping to get his chance at the crown.

Patience in the fight game, as already disclosed, does have its value. It can transform a chronic "miss" to a sizzling "hit." Example: Fritzie Zivic.

For a decade he was a road-showing, flat-nosed character out of Pittsburgh. Nobody went wild over him, he was what you might describe as a good utility infielder.

Then, all of a sudden, Mike Jacobs in New York needed a challenger to welter champion Henry Armstrong. Zivic had just beaten Sammy Angott in Pittsburgh, a fight Mike had seen. Six weeks later Fritzie was battling Armstrong. And overnight he became the champ—and a personality.

By the same token a surprising click can fade to an out. Recall Lew Jenkins? The rawboned, freckled soldier from Texas vaulted to immense popularity with his stunning lightweight title knockout of Lou Ambers in the Garden, the first against Ambers in a sizeable and rugged career. Lew repeated over Ambers in a non-title bout—and the world was his bowl of cherries.

Jenkins proceeded to overeat—and overdrink—and overplay. Two months later he was knocked kicking by Henry Armstrong. One year later he had blown his title. Two years later he couldn't lick anybody, right down to the third raters. His punch and co-ordination were gone forever.

Then there are such as Carmen Basilio. The doughty little ex-onion farmer from Canastota, N.Y., didn't get there in a hurry. He'd been around more than five years when he was accorded a title fight with welter king Kid Gavilan in Syracuse. That night he had Gavilan on the deck but flubbed his big chance and lost a split decision. His remark made history: *"I get the publicity but he keeps the title."*

It was good publicity, too good. They stalled him around for two years because of it. By that time the title had been passed around, from Kid Gavilan to Johnny Saxton to Tony DeMarco. But DeMarco came in to Syracuse with the championship. This time Carmen was determined to get more than publicity. He knocked out DeMarco in the 12th round of a thriller. The return, in Tony's city, Boston, had exactly the same outcome.

The grizzled Basilio, a zealous competitor any time he went to the post, became even more of a crowd hero when he was jobbed of his crown in Chicago by Saxton. But home to Syracuse and he had his revenge via a ninth-round knockout.

Well, he had become a "hit" twice over now but the ambitious little guy struck out for a shot at Sugar Ray Robinson's middleweight championship. He won it in one of the most tingling fights of the last two decades. When they boxed again, in Chicago, Carmen's eye was closed for the greater part of the distance and he lost back the title.

Even after his failing fight against Paul Pender this year, when he decided to retire, his place with the fans was unchanged. What he'd gained was public affection on a permanent basis . . . a recollection beyond price for his treasure of memories.

ANSWERS — SPOT THE GOOFS

Total possible points: 60. Rating: Champion, 50 to 60. Contender, 40 to 45. Club Fighter, 30 to 35. Less than 30, Preliminary Boy.

1. The Louis-Simon fight also in Detroit on March 21, 1941 was the last scheduled 20 round title fight.

2. Not true, Tony Zale, was knocked out by Rocky Graziano, then kayoed Rocky to win the title back.

3. Root is the oldest living exchampion.

4. The count on the first knockdown in the eighth round was three not nine.

5. Armstrong beat Ross before he won the lightweight title from Ambers.

6. Not one single champion retained his title in the Garden Bowl.

7. The Zivic brothers were Fitzie, Eddie, Pete and Jack.

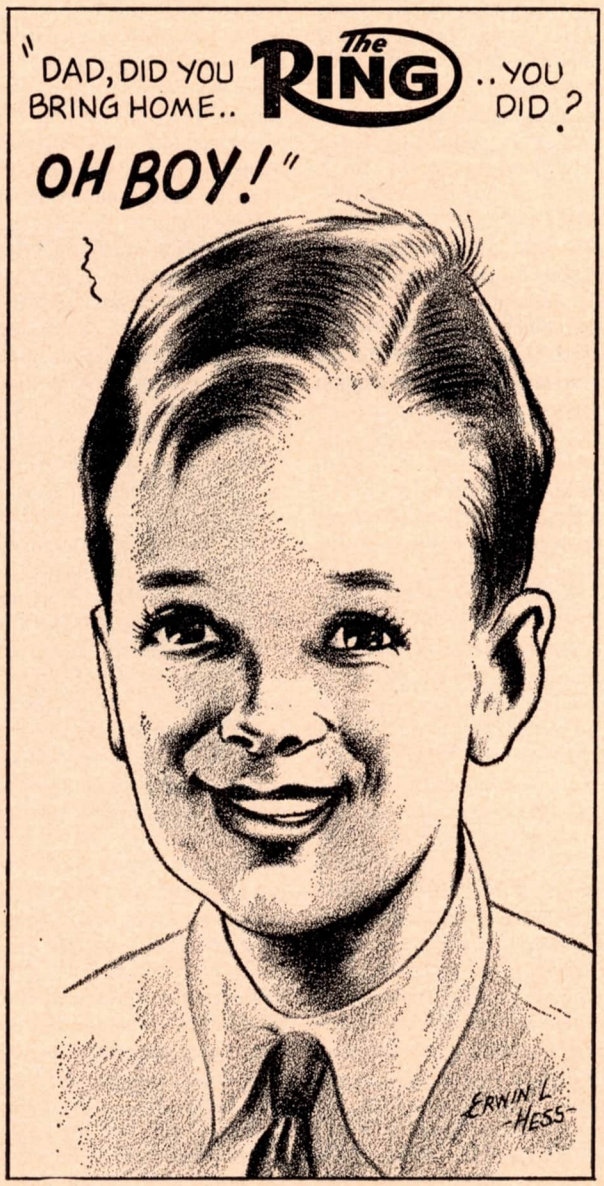
8. There have been three draws in heavyweight title bouts.

9. Harold Johnson's father's name is Phil not Willie.

10. Not true, Jackie Patterson who held the flyweight title was a southpaw.

11. Not true, the light heavyweight and flyweight class still have not been conquered. Jimmy Slattery was recognized by the N.B.A. but was not as a world champion.

12. The two former heavyweight kings who acted in "The Harder They Fall" were Max Baer and Jersey Joe Walcott.



WORLD RATINGS

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Gaylord Barnes scored over Kenny Tavares, 10. John Newman stopped Rudy Smith, 9. Manuel Favela defeated Ray Mejia, 10.

Orlando delaFuentes stopped Del Bowen, 3. Ike Vaughn halted Willie James, 4, and Willie Finney, 8. Willie Westbrook defeated Dick Gilford, 6. Jay Roach won over Billy Robinson, 6.

Frankie Sallee whipped Ricky Ortiz, 8. Marshell Wells defeated Andre Herrera, 10. Luis Garduno stopped Charlie Wright, 5. Don Felan beat Billy Compton, 8. Pedro Miranda stopped Gato Mendez, 4. Les McFadden defeated Julie Jamison, 6.

Dick Gilford beat Willie Jones, 6. James Patrick defeated Steve Mendoza, 6. Dick Knight kayoed Henry Perez, 2. Billy Bello halted Danny Garcia, 2.

Henry Maye and Roy McGregor, drew 6. George Meaux kayoed Bill Kerr, 1. Duane Simpson and Dick Pospisil, drew, 6. Johnny Torres won over Billy Bello, 6. Jimmy Dorsey beat Les Sprague, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World champion Joe Brown retained his title outpointing Bert Somodio, 15.

Carlos Ortiz outpointed Paolo Rosi, 10.

Doug Vallant halted Mauro Vazquez, 9. Carlos Hernandez decisioned Jethro Cason, 10.

Al Urbina defeated Calucas Rios, 10. Cisco Andrade halted Al Medramo, 6. Baby Vasquez won on a disqualification over Rip Randall, 8, Rip beat Marvin Carter, 10.

Paulie Armstead outscored Tony Perez, 10. Don Johnson kayoed Willie Quatour, 6.

Arthur Persley decisioned Guizani Rezgui, 10. Nicolino Loche won from Ubaldino Escobar, 10. Vicente Derado whipped Raul Vargas, 10.

J. B. Cook upset Eddie Garcia, 10, Eddie in turn upset Jose Luis Cruz, 10. Johnny Gonsalves defeated Roberto Cruz, 10. Bobby Cervantes kayoed Manny Sanchez, 4.

Fred Galiana defeated Tony Gutierrez, 8. Angel Garcia defeated Jimmy Mackey, 10. Joey Donovan outscored Gil Diaz, 10. Mario Vecchiatto defeated Ameur Lamine, 8.

Larry Godih whipped Eddie Armstrong, 6. Jackie Kelly defeated Johnny Bizzarro, 6. Al Carsello whipped Eddie Henderson, 6. Phil David defeated Eddie Bertolino, 6.

Tito Marshall outscored Daniel Berrios, 10. Enrique Camarena stopped Chato Cadena, 3. Rafael Camacho kayoed Tony Sanchez, 8, and Rodolfo Santamaria, 3. Makoto Watanabe defeated Terry Flores, 10.

Joe Shaw defeated Henry Watson, 10. Vic Graffio whipped Ruben Rivera, 10. Yukio Katsumata decisioned Winnie Rebolado, 10.

Dave Coventry stopped Rene Azaguri, 1, and beat Roy Jacobs, 8. Billy Braggs stopped Kid Casey, 8. Jorge Macias halted David Camacho, 3. Masao Naruse kayoed Gil Flores, 8.

Abel Laudonio kayoed Antonio Murano, 2, and Tomas Echague, 4. Fidencio Ramirez whipped Raul Reyes, 10. Kenzo Shimamura kayoed Tono Coria, 8. Alex Arenas whipped Jorge Frikas, 10, and stopped Ray Reyes, 7.

Tommy Schafer won from Rocky Randell, 8, and stopped Willie Finney, 5. Gabirel Navarro won over Miguel Rojas, 10.

Carlos Quiles and Benny Gordon, drew, 8. Sammy Burgess stopped Willie McCrea, 4. Stanley Wilson stopped Esteban Santamaria, 10.

Tomy Lowery defeated Rick Conti, 8. Flory Olguin stopped Al Andrews, 4. Jimmy Connors stopped Richie Grassley, 7. Ebe Mensah defeated Tivador Balogh, 8.

Tyrone Gardner stopped Jimmy Calhoun, 4. Johnny Cooke kayoed Brian Jones, 8. Johnny Hart defeated Charlie Wright, 6.

Zurdo Gonzalez stopped Kid Neon, 4. Chuck Flores decisioned Herman Beasley, 8. Clyde Thomas kayoed Modesto Lara, 1. Sid Adams whipped J. D. Ellis, 10.

Ray Castro whipped Willie Sodeno, 6. Frank Narvarez halted Ray Wallace, 5. Pete Thomas won over Guillermo Taladera, 6.

Johnny Knight and Walter Wallace, drew, 6. Joey Bevelaaua stopped Jackie Horn, 4. Billy Anderson whipped Al Carsello, 6. Jerry Pellegrini won over Ruben Rivera, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

World Champion Davey Moore retained his title by winning a unanimous decision over Kazuo Takayama, 15.

Rafiu King kayoed Rudi Langer, 2, and Jean Viescas, 4.

Jet Bally upset European champion Gracieux Lamperti, 10.

Lalo Guerrero won the Mexican title stopping Juan Ramirez, 3. Ricardo Gonzalez and Pedro Miranda drew, 10. Roberto Palavecino defeated Carlos Rosano, 10, and Salustiano Suarez, 10.

Efren Jimenez kayoed Rosendo Martinez, 5. Percy Lewis kayoed Sexton Mebena, 1. Cain Rogero scored a big upset kayoing Rudy Coronado, 1. French champion Rene Barriere retained his crown beating Paul Maolet, 15.

Fino Rosales stopped Pedro Hernandez, 5. Terry Spinks decisioned Kimpo Amarfio, 8, and Con Mount Bassey, 8. Harry Carroll defeated Paddy Read, 10.

Don Johnson stopped Colin Bell, 4. Pastor Marrero halted Jesus Santamaria, 5. Manuel Ochoa whipped Artie Clark, 10. Sugar Zatarin kayoed Max Huerta, 1, and Hector Agundez, 1.

Oscar Diaz outscored Oscar Vargas, 10. Melvin Bourne halted Fenley Hooker, 7. Haruo Sakamoto and Kozo Nagata, drew, 10. Pulga Serrano upset bantam Herman Marquez, 10.

Pepino Morales kayoed Tommy Noel, 8. Emilio Flores upset Felix Cervantes, 10. Gene Fosmire defeated Nat Williams, 8. Rick Conti won over Jackie Lennon, 8.

Lauro Garcia defeated Jose Luis Valdez, 10. Toluco II beat Antonio Aguirre, 10. Vicente Vezzone drew with Victorio Cespedes, 10.

Danny Brown whipped Cuate Sanchez, 10. Neto Villarreal stopped Panchito Ramirez, 1. Vicente Saldivar won over Jose Luis Mora, 10. Luis Quijano won from Chucko Oliva, 10.

Billy Davis defeated Jimmy Carson, 8. Rodolfo Caballero stopped Marcelo Gonzalez, 6. Olli Maki decisioned Billy Calvert, 8. Gene Fosmire whipped Nat Williams, 8, and Rocky Jones, 10.

Roy Jacobs kayoed Sander Bonde, 4. Joe Aparicio kayoed Cubanito Gonzalez, 3. Tommy Haden outpointed Tommy Griffin, 10. Pepino Horales halted Tony Noel, 6.

Roy Beaman stopped Dennis East, 7. Joey Reyes and Jorge Ceja, drew 10. Henry Nieto decisioned Jimmy George 8, and Bobby Herron, 6.

Luis Ramirez kayoed Memo Ruiz, 4. Carlos Hernandez defeated Adrian Kiriz, 10. Chocolate Zambrano defeated Adalberto Martinez, 10, and kayoed Jesus Luna, 5. Phil David kayoed Joey Leijas, 2.

Ken Fields beat Hugh O'Neill, 8. Tony Tozzo kayoed Henny Hurley, 4. Beresford Francis stopped Jose Perez, 1. Allie Steele stopped Leo Steele, 5.

Emil Garcia whipped Grady McLendon, 6. Les Gillis stopped Eddie Paris, 2. Carmelo Acevedo halted Grady McLendon, 4.

Willie McCrea defeated Jimmy Hightower, 6. Rick Conti bested Ed Henderson, 6. Ray Comanho won from Nick Nichols, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Johnny Caldwell retained his European version of the world title by outpointing Alphonse Halimi, 15.

European champion Pierre Cossemyns retained his title outpointing Piero Rollo, 15. Leo Espinosa outboxed Ray Asis, 10.

Cuervo Salinas decisioned Edmundo Esparza, 10. Herman Marques stopped Ronnie Perez, 9. Jose Smecca won the Argentine title outpointing Ricardo Moreno, 12.

Terry Crimmins outscored Nelson Estrada, 10, and stopped George O'Neill, 5. Jorge Salazar defeated Chamaco Perez, 10. Luis Leija scored over Benny Casing, 10.

Sabino Mendez defeated Pulga Garcia, 10, and Frankie Duran, 10. Young Aquino and Arab Junior, drew, 10. Federico Scarponi defeated Francisco Carreno, 10.

Memo Tellez upset Javier Garfias, 10. Pierre Vetroff whipped Dommy Balajadia, 10. Miguel Paredes outpointed Angel Ley, 10.

Manny Elias defeated Chilo Carranza, 10. Curly Aguirre outscored Dommy Balajadia, 10. Romeo Pineda halted Ernie Paredes, 5. Oso Galvan kayoed Roberto SanMartin, 5.

Marcelino Diaz halted Cubanito Perez, 7. Chamaco Hernandez kayoed Haro Hernandez, 4. Kid Taco Jr. won over Fil Mendy, 10, Fil kayoed Dory Articulo, 5.

Joey Castellano decisioned Frankie Duarte, 10, Duarte also lost to Mike Gallo, 8. Humberto Barrera kayoed Jesse Alaniz, 4, and Miguel Jasso, 2.

Jose Briones kayoed Gallito Uribe, 4, and Tony Hernandez, 10. Delfino Martinez outscored Cuco Rodriguez, 8. Brian Cartwright defeated Brian Bissmire, 8. Killer Solomon defeated Eduardo Frutos, 6.

Daniel Valdez whipped Patricio Petatan, 8. Manuel Magallanes defeated Rocky Fontanette, 6. Elmer Escalante won from Zurdo Aparecido, 6, and Carlos Villanueva, 8. Luis Ramirez and Grillo Duran, drew, 6.

Fidel Alfaro defeated Arturo Vazquez, 10. Eddie France stopped Mick Hussey, 5.

Nacho Duran stopped Casanova Arroyo, 6, and beat Isaias Espejel, 10. Nicolas Ruiz stopped Miguel Sanchez, 4. Gaby Beltran kayoed Mario Garcia, 5. Ariel Rios bested Pastor Medina, 6.

FLYWEIGHTS

Pascual Perez kayoed Hector Diaz, 7, and Antonio Garcia, 6.

Sadao Yaoita halted Yoshio Himuro, 10.

European champion Salvatore Burruni whipped Henri Schmid, 10, and kayoed Albert Younsi, 7. Chuco Hernandez kayoed Armando Maldonado, 5.

Jean Guerard whipped Alex Bollaert, 10. Horacio Accavallo won the South American title beating Jupiter Mansilla, 15.

Ray Pacheco outpointed Changa Magallanes, 10. Apolonio Salinas kayoed Elias Olivo, 4.

Demetrio Carvajal kayoed Miguel Angel Botta, 1. Pedro Carvajal won the vacant Panama title stopping Carlos Real, 7. Ernesto Barrera defeated Ismael Gutierrez, 10.

Marcel Juban defeated singtong PorTor, 10. Chico Jasso outpointed Raton Mojica, 10. Mosco Rodriguez outscored Cuervo Tellez, 10.

Carlos Cruz defeated Manuel Moreno, 10. Vicente Garcia outpointed Chivete Martinez, 10. Alacran Torres defeated Toro Padilla, 10.

Roberto Lopez whipped Federico Palomares, 8. Danny Lee outpointed Don Braithwaite, 8.

Nabor Gonzalez kayoed Amado Garcia, 2. Vic Campo defeated Baby Espinosa, 8. Antonio Ortega kayoed Jorge Martinez, 4.

Marcelino Lorenzo kayoed Gato Navarrete, 5. Luis Medina beat Raton Pacheco, 6.

Ronnie DeCost stopped Larry Silva, 3, and beat Carlos Zayas, 6 and again in 10. Juan Peralto defeated Peter Cruz, 6.

"I WUZ ROBBED"

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and then I will consider a fresh course.

I have been asked to fight Tiger Jones. I don't want that match. It would be meaningless. I am Jones' close friend. We have boxed together in the gym for more than a year.

I do want to fight Ray Robinson, but he has no desire in that direction. I don't blame him. If I were he, I too, would shy away from a much younger, much faster fighter with a punch.

It's no disgrace to lose in the ring. But it's heart rending to believe sincerely you had won and still end up losing a valuable championship title.

I was at St. Nicholas Rink recently, and the fans cheered me. They, too, felt that I had been "robbed". An official from the Boxing Commission asked me to walk over to the other side of the ring with him to meet someone. I went, and was introduced to one of the judges who had voted my title away from me.

I went back to my seat and then the full impact of that split decision hit me all over again.

It should be impossible for a champion to lose his title the way I lost mine.

If I did not whip Paret then the U.S.A. lost the second World War.

I want to thank the fight fans for their sympathy, for their belief in me. It helps to soothe the wounds. But I say it again —I wuz robbed!

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DEMPSEY OVER-RATED?

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have howled from Dan to Beersheba.

Details of the Gibbons fight do not play up Dempsey as an all time wonder.

Only two months later, at the Polo Grounds in New York, Dempsey stopped Luis Angel Firpo, of the Argentine, in two rounds.

However, Firpo knocked Dempsey out of the ring and if the South American had been handled by a man with acumen Luis would have won the title.

Now we come to that soggy night in Philadelphia which saw Dempsey lose the championship to Tunney.

I have to fault Dempsey very heavily on this fight, which I saw, just as I sat at the ringside during the Firpo brawl.

I have to fault Dempsey again on his second fight with Gene, in Chicago.

On July 29, 1940, at Charlotte, N.C., Jack Dempsey stopped Ellis Bashara in two heats, and then the Manassa Mauler hung up his gloves. Jack had fought for money for 26 years.

If the letters from readers of The Ring Magazine are reliable criteria, and there is no reason to doubt that, fight fans are getting more and more critical.

I have seen letters announcing the certainty of a Marciano victory had Rocky, in his prime, met the Dempsey of the Firpo fight.

I have seen letters insisting that the Patterson would have given Jack plenty of trouble, with speed offsetting power.

"Examine the reports of the fights between Dempsey and Tunney," said another writer, *"then let your readers know whether Dempsey was a greater fighter than Gene."*

In The Ring Record Book for 1961, Dempsey is ranked in fourth place, behind Jack Johnson, Jim Jeffries and Bob Fitzsimmons.

Where are Louis, Tunney and Marciano?

The Brown Bomber is rated sixth, one below Jim Corbett; Tunney is eighth, with Sam Langford ahead of him, and Marciano is tenth. Max Schmeling tops him because of his all-around ability as compared with the power of Rocky.

When one discusses greatness in a fighter, he must take into consideration far more than power. Science, viciousness in attack, determination to follow up leads and the calibre of opponent all go into the analysis.

The Dempsey who put Willard down seven times in the opening round, displayed punching power, and the instinct.

Examination of the contestants Dempsey fought, leaves doubt as regards to any greatness. Who among the men he faced would have stood up against the onslaught of Marciano and the ring cleverness and clouting power of Louis?

The best all-around fighter Dempsey faced before the Tunney bouts, was Tom Gibbons. Dempsey was not able to down Tom, yet Jack was at the height of his career.

That was a fight in which the ring generalship of his opponent was too much for Dempsey to fathom and brought out weak spots in the make-up of the Manassa Mauler.

It often has been stated that of Dempsey's opponents, only a few were deserving of top ranking. Kearns no doubt chose spots for Dempsey as Cus D'Amato does for Patterson, but the few topnotchers Jack faced in defense of his crown, were superior to any faced by Patterson to date.

One must go back to 1918 to evaluate the proper standing of Dempsey in relation to ring greatness. His first fight of importance was that with Carl Morris in Buffalo which he won on a foul.

In a return bout with Jim Flynn at Fort Sheridan, Dempsey evened the score with the Fireman. Jack stopped Jim in the first round, the same frame in which Jack had previously been stopped by Flynn in a blighted contest which Dempsey likes to forget—the big black mark against him in a long career.

From then on, Dempsey was preparing for only one fight—that with the world champion. All others were in preparation for the Big One and it was during that campaign that he rolled up one round knockouts over Porky Flynn, Arthur Pelkey and Fred Fulton. It was the Fulton kayo that finally brought the match with Willard.

In the Willard battle, we saw Dempsey at the height of his power.

"Why," the public keeps asking, *"if Jack was so powerful a hitter, didn't he put Jess away in the first or the second, after handing the Pottowatomie Giant such a shellacking?"*

The answer rests on the clanging of the bell that denoted Dempsey the winner in that opening round. He leaped out of the ring and was on his way to the dressing room when Kearns had to recall him because of an error by the referee. The round had ended, and referee Ollie Pecord, thinking Jack had scored a kayo, held up his hand in victory.

Returning to the ring, Dempsey had to start over again. The ferocity with which he went after Jess in the opening round was gone.

From viciousness, to relaxation to fretfulness—those were the three stages he went through as a result of that error. He no longer carried on the concentrated attack in the following two rounds.

When Dempsey fought Carpentier, he faced a light-heavyweight who was overrated and against whom Tex Rickard had planned to have Dempsey take things easy for picture taking purposes.

In the second round, the Orchid Kid threw a scare into Dempsey supporters by jarring Jack to the point of a knockdown. Dempsey finally put Carpentier away in the fourth round, but only in the final round did he display the assets of a top fighter.

When he fought Firpo, Jack was mighty lucky that he didn't have a British referee to handle the fight. He could have been disqualified several times for the manner in which he attacked his opponent. He stood over Luis and prevented him from getting to his feet. In that fight he also was belted out of the ring.

Firpo was a terrific hitter but crude. He knew little about boxing and was accepted by the public as a fit opponent for Jack only because the Argentinian was colorful, The Wild Bull of the Pampas was the crudest challenger yet.

Dempsey's bout with Billy Miske at Benton Harbor, Michigan in which poor Billy was knocked out in the third round, was one in which a desperately ill man was facing the champion to obtain sufficient funds for his family, knowing that his end was near. Three years later, Miske passed away.

Although as The Ring frequently has pointed out, Dempsey did not raise the color line and did not evade the challenge of Harry Wills, the fact remains that Kearns, his manager, did everything possible to keep Dempsey away from the New Orleans stevedore. At the time Wills was the outstanding Negro heavyweight.

It was not until he fought Tunney, that Dempsey again entered the ring to defend his title. He had engaged in a number of exhibitions but had failed to place his title on the line against any of the large number of available challengers.

What happened to the Manassa Mauler in his contests with Tunney is so well known that it needs no rehashing. Nevertheless, Dempsey retained his popularity. His public followed him wherever he went and still does to this day. He has ever remained the Idol of Fistiana, the title of Nat Fleischer's book on Jack's life.

Tex Rickard, who promoted all of Dempsey's million-dollar fights, also promoted and refereed the Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries bout in Reno, Nevada.

Asked to discuss Dempsey's fighting qualities, Tex declared:

"Jeffries and Fitzsimmons could have whipped Jack."

Billy Roche, who refereed the Johnson-Ketchel fight and many other famous battles, writing for "The Ring", declared that Dempsey was a good fighter, but not a great one. He ridiculed the choice of Dempsey as "the greatest heavyweight since John L."

The conclusion which must be reached is that Dempsey was far from the paragon of the ring which he has been rated.

Red Smith... says

CONFUSED CHAMPION OF CONFUSION

This was written as Patterson was preparing to leave his Highland Mills training camp for Toronto

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HIGHLAND MILLS, N. Y.

FLOYD PATTERSON lives in a state of perpetual bewilderment. He longs for the celebrity which the heavyweight championship of the world should confer on its possessor, yet he shrinks from the public eye, literally hiding out in the woods for months on end. He is so much in seclusion that the chances are he could be placed on exhibit in Grand Central and go unrecognized for hours.

The reluctance of public, press and professionals to accept him as a great champion galls him, yet he discredits himself by fighting nobodies and more often than not his performance against them leaves something to be desired. The press reproaches him for picking on patsies, yet when he explains how Tom McNeeley jr. was chosen as an opponent, he appears to be saying that it was on account of this newspaper censure.

Preparing to quit his sweaty hideaway here and complete his training in Toronto, he told how, after his victorious but crude performance against Ingemar Johansson in Miami Beach last March, he determined to seek "vindication" against England's top man, Henry Cooper. He said that when the press derided Cooper as a challenger he sought a match with Eddie Machen instead. Then, he said, the press ridiculed Machen and accused him of "ducking" Cooper so he decided to call his own shots, taking on one top contender and one lesser man each year.

Joy of Combat

Obviously, he does not expect to achieve vindication by whipping the unbeaten but relatively inexperienced McNeeley.

"After all this time," a visitor said, "you're still influenced by what the papers say, aren't you?"

"I am if I know what they're saying," he said. "I don't read much. Those books over there"—he nodded toward a small stack of boxing magazines—"the sparring partners read 'em."

"Why are you fighting now, Floyd? For financial security or for recognition?"

"First of all," he said, "because I love fighting. If fighters didn't get paid, if I had to take a job on the side, I'd still fight. And, of course, I'm looking for security. Some day I'd like to get into some kind of business and have a ranch-type house upstate somewhere or out West, maybe a business with horses."

And Then Sonny Liston

Sonny Liston's name got into the conversation in a roundabout way. Floyd was saying there had been some talk of a fourth fight with Johansson but he had vetoed it. However, he added, he wouldn't necessarily rule Johansson out if, a year or so hence, Floyd had disposed of Liston and the Swede was still in top bracket.

He wouldn't say flatly that he regarded Liston as his likeliest opponent after McNeeley but it seemed clear that he does. He does not try to conceal his dislike for Johansson, the only man he ever punched whom he does dislike.

"Remember the right hand that knocked him out, he turned his head so I hit him back here?" He pressed a fist behind his left ear. "When he got back to Sweden the papers ran a picture that just showed from the neck up so it looked as if I was standing behind him when I hit him. Everybody over there believes I hit him from behind. I wouldn't doubt if he got the picture put in like that. Somebody sent me a clipping and I got a few letters about it, not many."

Floyd was reminded that in their first fight Johansson hit him from behind. After the first knock-down, Patterson got up goofy and tottered toward a neutral corner. Johansson chased him, brought a hook around from the rear and followed with a right behind the head that dropped him again.

"It's not illegal," the champion said, "but I don't think it's necessary. If I had a man in that shape, not knowing where he was—well, if he'd come around in front of me and steadied my chin with his left and hit me a good right, I might not of got up."

"He was frantic," a guy said. "This was the heavyweight championship of the world."

"That's exactly what I said," Floyd said. "He was probably as surprised as I was when I went down and he got excited."

The Street and the Ring

There wasn't much to say about McNeeley. They met during negotiations for the match and the personable young pug from Arlington, Mass., struck Patterson as likable and clear headed. Floyd never saw his opponent fight but he has a film of a McNeeley match with George Logan which he means to look at in Toronto. He hasn't seen it yet, being leery of going into the ring with preconceived and possibly erroneous notions about an adversary's style.

"They say McNeeley goes berserk in a fight," a visitor said. "Pete Fuller had a psychiatrist trying to cool him out. Suppose he tried to make this a street fight?"

"In the ring," Floyd said, "you've got gloves and rules. The referee's in there so it can't be a street fight. If the other fella tried to make it a street fight he wouldn't be thinking and I would, because I won't be street fighting. That would be an advantage for me."

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"I SURRENDER"

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Robinson was not the only victim of the intense heat and the heavy, sticky humidity. Ruby Goldstein, the referee, had collapsed in the 10th round. Ray Miller had been rushed in to substitute. The fight ended in the 14th with Maxim the winner and still champion.

The scorecard Miller had taken from Goldstein could not be read after it was turned into the boxing commission deputy. Soaked with sweat the ink had run, making it illegible.

Willie Pep, one of the featherweight greats, is another champion who relinquished a title sitting in his corner. It was his third meeting with Sandy Saddler. In their first fight, Sandy had upset Willie in four rounds. The return bout was one of the most exciting ever fought in the Garden. Pep had gone all out in outscoring the rough, hard-hitting Saddler in 15 rounds. There had to be a third fight.

Over a year elapsed from their second clash to their meeting at Yankee Stadium. Time had taken its toll of Pep's skills, and the harder hitting Saddler was in command all the way. When the gong sounded for the eighth round Willie failed to answer.

PEP'S SHOULDER BEAT HIM, AGAINST SADDLER

Dr. Vincent Nardiello, a physician on the Commission's staff, jumped into the ring, and discovered Pep had dislocated his shoulder. The doctor snapped it back in place, but of course the fight was over. Sandy gave Willie another chance later on, and repeated by knocking him out in nine rounds.

When he retired an undefeated champion Saddler had scored 102 knockouts, and was one of only four fighters to stop 100 or more opponents.

Hogan (Kid) Bassey, the Nigerian, is another featherweight champion to lose the crown in his corner. Cuts dictated his decision to retire in his first bout with Davey Moore, the present champion. The end came after the 13th round. The cuts reopened in the return bout, and again Bassey retired.

George Biddles, the Nigerian's British manager, felt this was the thing to do, as it was obvious in both fights that Bassey could not win if they continued through the 15th rounds.

Injuries play their part in boxers' failures to come out of their corners. Marcel Cerdan's left arm dangled at his side, and he was unable to defend himself, when he surrendered the middleweight title to Jake LaMotta at the end of the 10th round. The doctors reported afterward that Cerdan had injured the "elevator" muscle in his left shoulder.

Cerdan never got a chance to regain the crown. The plane in which he was flying from France to a return engagement with LaMotta crashed in the Azores.

The tossing in of a towel has long been outlawed. In the early '20s they were being thrown in too often, and there were times when the fighter was surprised that his seconds had surrendered. The no-foul rule is a twin to the anti-towel tossing edict.

GREAT FIGHTERS GO DOWN STILL FIGHTING

The great champions feel they owe it to themselves, as well as the public, to go down fighting. Barney Ross was badly beaten by Henry Armstrong from the sixth round on, but he was still on his feet vainly trying to defend the welterweight title when the bell ended the 15th and final round.

A friendly reporter suggested in the dressing room that in his prime Ross would have beaten Armstrong.

"All I know is I couldn't beat him tonight," Ross replied.

When Armstrong lost the last of his three titles, the one he won from Ross, to Fritzie Zivic, he was still erect at the final bell. When it rang he pitched forward on his face. Henry had given all he had.

James J. Braddock, ever courageous, went down fighting in defense of the heavyweight championship. Seeing Jim badly battered by Joe Louis, Joe Gould, his manager, told him: "I'm going to stop it."

"If you do I'll never speak to you again," Jersey Jim threatened. He went out and was knocked out in the next round, the eighth.

Tony Galento, his face cut, chucked it to Max Baer, but there was no title at stake.

The American fan expects his champions to go out like champions. That is why he finds it difficult to understand why Pender "retired" in his corner.

No doubt Paul justifies his decision, knowing he was not himself, due to the virus. But it was made in violation of a tradition going back to Sullivan's time.

The great champions, and there have been many, stand and fight until they fall. Pender is not a member of their gallant company.

THE STRANGE WORLD OF CHARLEY ROSE

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contrast to many other oldtimers, has bouquets for today's boxing champions.

"Joe Brown is getting old, but he still knows how to fight," he begins. *"This Davey Moore would have given any of the old timers plenty of trouble, and that goes for Archie Moore, as old as he is. Harold Johnson is another one who knows his business. Fullmer don't look good in there but he's a real tough fellow. Of all the middleweights I've ever seen, Stanley Ketchel and Harry Greb are the only two I'd rate up there with Sugar Ray. I don't think he looked as bad as people say against that kid Moyer. I counted every clean punch Moyer landed and do you know how many there were? I counted just five—that's all—five! Ray had to make the fight against a kid who never leads, and is hard to hit, and hard to hurt."*

Charley Rose also finds some sentiment along the often rocky road traveled by pugilism's pilgrims.

"Poor Leaping Lena Levy, she's been gone for some time now. They called her eccentric, but I liked her and she was always smart enough to get her hands on all Kingfish Levinsky's dough, before anything could happen to it. The king had a manager, Harold Steinman, but Lena always did the paying off. After the Louis fight, with everybody lined up and waiting, she yelled, 'Charley Rose gets paid first, he did me a big favor in Denver once.'

"And what was that?" I wanted to know.

"Believe it or not, but while I was in Denver with Hans Birkie matched to fight the Kingfish. Levinsky had a crush on Peaches Browning. Remember her, she's passed too, but in those days she was known all over. I think she kinda took to the King, too, although I admit I'll never know why." narrated Rose. *"Lena didn't go for that at all."*

"Peaches was staying in my hotel and Lena got hold of me. 'Look, Rose, if that dumb brother of mine shows up in the lobby of that hotel, get me on the phone. I'll have him paged in the lobby and give him a bawling out.'

"For the rest of the time I was there, I kept on the King's trail like a house detective. When we got ready to leave after the fight, Lena thanked me and said she wouldn't forget me. To this day I'll never know why she beefed so. Nobody ever called the King a bargain and Peaches Browning was loaded with a big settlement from the millionaire she married. She didn't need the Kingfish!

"But Leaping Lena was a great girl. She would speak her mind but never did anyone any harm and I felt pretty bad when she passed on."

And Charley "Broadway" Rose, one time kid-glove fighter, soldier and pugilism perennial, as I arose to leave, like his namesake of the famous song, had a tear in his eye.

But Charley Rose has no time for tears over a life as well spent as the many silver dollars he hands out to old friends during the holiday season.

NAT FLEISCHER SPEAKS OUT!

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accordance with the current list promulated by The Ratings Committee of the National Boxing Association, and within six months after each title defense, if it is shall have been successful, he shall defend his Championship against a Challenger approved and designated by the N.B.A. World Championship committee.

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"The Committee, whenever it shall select a Challenger, shall nominate the highest ranking available boxer from the current list promulgated in the permanent weight class by the N.B.A. Ratings Committee."

What does all this mean?

A mess in boxing such as it hasn't had for many years. It will lead to dual champions in many, if not all divisions, since other organizations besides the N.B.A. will feel they are entitled to have a say in declaring who is and who is not a legitimate challenger.

Apparently the N.B.A. has taken upon itself the rule of world boxing. But it won't find the going too smooth.

We stand for a real, truly **international** World Championship Committee—not one **wholly** controlled by the N.B.A., which though it has in its membership 47 States of the U.S., has less than one-third of its membership in territory where not even one fight a year is staged.

ANOTHER traditional milestone in boxing has come to an end with the abandonment of the annual Christmas Fund Show of the Cleveland *News*.

"It's a trend of the times," read the announcement from Larry Atkins, veteran promoter, who, with Ed Bang, noted sports editor of the *News*, had arranged elaborate programs for thirty-five years in behalf of charity. Each year top attractions were billed and, annually, large sums were added to the fund to help purchase food and gifts for Cleveland's underprivileged.

The idea of the Christmas show was originally conceived by the late Ray Campbell, whose "The Punch Bowl" was a feature of the News' sports page. The first few cards were such tremendous successes that when Campbell died, his boss, Bang, continued with the annual custom, with Atkins arranging the matches. In recent years, however, the steadily dwindling supply of headline talent, particularly Cleveland homebreds, has made a precarious venture of the holiday program, with attendances and receipts declining each year.

"We cannot obtain the services of sufficiently attractive top talent to make the program a success," said Atkins, in announcing the abandonment of the annual carnival.

A long-time highlight of the winter season in American major boxing, the end of the Christmas Fund show in Cleveland is as much a blow to charity as it is to boxing. It's another discouraging step downward in the decline of American ring activity.

UNDER THE LIGHTS, FROM BUFFALO AND SYRACUSE AREA

By Douglass P. Hovey

Four Buffalo boxers registered victories on a pro card before an estimated 500 fans, at the Warren Roller Rink, Warren, Pa.

Unbeaten as a pro, former Buffalo golden gloves champ Al Quinnie, 147, TKO'ed Carl Gordon, 147, of Pittsburgh in the 3rd round, of a 6 round bout. Buffalo's unbeaten Bobby Warthen, 155, chalked up his 3rd win on a K.O. of Jim Moore, 158, of Cleveland at 2:16 of the 3rd round of a scheduled 4 rounder. Bobby is the former Eastern Golden Gloves Champ.

Two other former Golden Gloves champs made pro Debuts on the Warren Card. Mannie Quinnie, 168, Buffalo, K.O.ed Moose Downing, 177, Cleveland, 2:10 of the 1st round, of a 4 rounder. Dick Wipperman, 195, Buffalo, received a unanimous 4 round decision over Bobby Moore, 192, Cleveland in a four rounder.

Many local fans are very disappointed that Vince Cala, Buffalo light weight has not been added to the upcoming Joey Giambra-Virgil Akins card. Vince undefeated in 8 pro bouts is a very popular boy and has a big west side following. Possibility of a good future bout Vince Cala vs. Tony LaBarbara.

Injury to Joey Giambra caused postponement of his bout with former welterweight king Virgil Akins, slated for Oct. 31st.

"JABS AND PUNCHES IN WILLEMSTAD"

By V. Estario (Chick) Chittick

Promotor Angel Job staged a successful boxing program at the Rif-Stadium between foreign and local boxers.

The Stellar presentation was between Sugar Boy Nando, 157, middle weight champion of the Netherland Antilles, versus Claude Williams, 157, from Tampa, Florida. Most of the fistic fans around Willemstad were present to see Nando K.O. Williams in the second round. In the second round, Nando feinted two left jabs to Williams' head which left Williams wido open for a short right to the jaw that sent him to the canvas for the full count in 38 seconds of the round.

In the other ten rounder, Kid Fenton, 152, Aruba, stopped Huracan Pirela, 157, of Venezuela in the second round. Pirela was knocked down but managed to get back on his feet, and wanted to continue fighting, but Flying Kid, the referee thought Pirela had enough and awarded Kid Fenton with a T.K.O. Kid Robinson, 157, stopped Jack Dempsey Jr., in the fifth round of a scheduled six rounder.

Kid Freddy, 132, washed-out Kid Spider, 131.

Floyd Patterson Jr., 131, whipped Fighting Dinchie in four rounds. El Gavilan Negro, 128, and Dick Tiger, 128, fought even for four rounds.

AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA

By Don Elbaum

Warren, Pa.—Tom Gerarde, local 178 pounder, ran his current streak to 12 when he easily defeated his most persistant rival, Eugene Duncan, 172, Detroit, in the six round main event. Tommy fought the finest fight of his career. He sent the veteran Duncan to the floor twice in winning his 15th fight.

Tommy's first two fights with Duncan saw both battlers in wars and each time the fight ended in a draw. This time Tommy was in command from the first bell. The officials voted 29-24; 30-25 and 29-25 all in favor of the local boxing sensation.

The fight of the night saw Bobby Worthem, Buffalo, win his third straight by knocking out Jimmy Moore in 2:16 of the third round. Moore, a highly rated amateur from Pittsburgh, made a fine showing. He did a good job until running into the wicked left-hook of Worthem, a real good looking middleweight.

The Quinney brothers were in a fine fighting mood and they won impressively. Al made it four straight and his third by KO when he stopped the more experienced Carl Jordan at the end of the second round due to a cut eye. The 6-foot Buffalo welterweight had his hands full with Jordan but he proved to be the better boxer.

Brother Manny, a light-heavyweight, made his pro debut a sensational one when he scored a stunning one round KO (2:53) over the very tough Grant "Moose" Downing. Downing, a real toughie out of Canton, proved too much for Manny during the first half of the round but Manny was just waiting for the opening for his right hand. When it came, it was all over. The referee stopped the fight. This boy can go a long ways.

In the opening four a new Lee Oma, Dick Wipperman by name, of Buffalo, made his pro debut successful when he upset Buddy Moore, Pittsburgh heavyweight, in a good fight. Dick can box. It was the pro debut for both. This was the pro debut of both fighters.

A crowd of 313 paid $781 to see this writer's boxing show.

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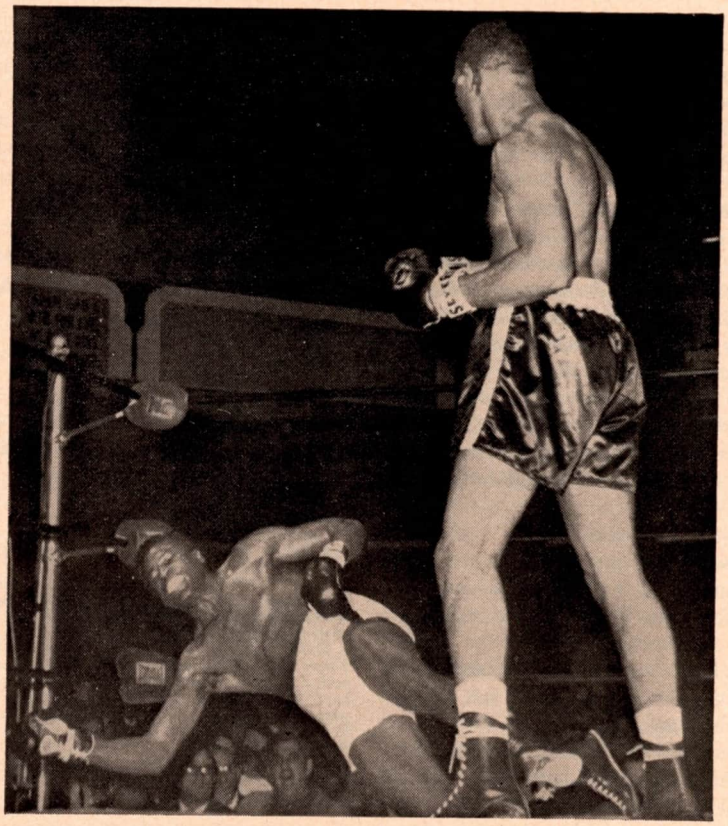
IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Lavorante Postpones TV Debut

By BILL MILLER

THE national TV debut of Argentine puncher Alejandro Lavorante was postponed when Alejandro suffered a cut lip in sparring three days before the scheduled fight with Billy Hunter which was to have taken place in the Los Angeles Olympic.

Philadelphia light heavyweight contender Von Clay was flown out to California to sub for Lavorante and he made an impressive debut as he went after his bigger foe from the start. Von, at 183, gave away 12 pounds to the Detroiter, but the issue was never in doubt. He floored Billy four times. Billy was dropped in the second and went down in the fourth, sixth and finally in the eighth, when referee John Thomas called it off in 27 seconds of the round.



Von Clay, Philadelphia light heavyweight, sends Billy Hunter to the deck for the third time in their TV fight from the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles. This knockdown occurred in the sixth round. Hunter got up but was floored again in the eighth and the referee stopped it. For Clay, a sub for Alejandro Lavorante it was a big win, while Billy looked like he has reached the end of the trail.

▸ Stockton's Herman Marques proved that two hands are better than one as he won a split decision over Carlos Hernandez of Mexico in the featured 12 rounder at the Olympic. Marques, 117½, came close to scoring the only knockdown when he had Carlos in trouble with a right hand to the chin in the fifth round.

Referee George Latka and Judge John Thomas each scored 10-2 for the winner. The other judge, Frankie Van had it 5-5. Hernandez lost two points for low blows in the seventh round.

In other bouts, Manuel (Changa) Magallanes, 114½, Mexico, made his U.S. bow by winning over Rocky Fontanette, 119, San Diego in a thrilling six rounder. Louis Perez, 129, beat Jerry Forch, 128, and Freddie Ball, 144, stopped Mundo Vera, 143, in the third round.

▸ At Fresno, Dean Bogany, 174, impressed his local following by easily outpointing Yancy D (Roy Smith), 177, Los Angeles, over ten rounds. The win put Dean in line for a match with Bobo Olson in the Raisin City.

▸ Stockton's Benny Casing, 120½, made his first start before his home town folks since his release from the Army in August, but showed plenty of ring rust in a bout in which referee Johnny Reno scored it 6-3 for Luis Leija, 120¼, San Antonio, Texas. It was Benny's third loss in 20 bouts, while Luis picked up his 17th win in 22 fights.

▸ San Jose . . . Mexico's Gaspar Ortega, 148½, kept up his busy schedule as he won an easy ten round decision over Kid Rayo, 146, Los Angeles. Ortega however, had to settle for a split decision as one judge scored it 3-3, the referee and other judge had it for Gaspar 7-1 and 5-3.

▸ San Francisco . . . An all-star program featuring three eight rounders and new talent, saw undefeated Mike Gallo, 120, San Francisco take a big step upwards by winning the unanimous decision over Frankie Duarte, 121, Sacramento. Mike floored his foe in the fourth.

In a free-swinging bout Henry Nieto, 125, San Francisco, outpunched Jimmy George, 127, Fremont. In the other bout, Eddie Shaw, 202, San Francisco, battled to a draw with Irish seaman Tom Cummins, 190.

▸ In other bouts, Don Edmunds, 162, Berkely kayoed Ernie Cartini, 160, San Mateo in the second and Sonny Miles, 174, Oakland, won his fifth decision from Joe Byron, 173, San Francisco, 4.

▸ Oakland . . . Veteran Junior (Junius) Washington, 177, who has taken a new lease on life, turned in his best win to-date as he gained a unanimous ten round verdict over the one-time title contender Jesse Bowdry, 175, St. Louis. Junior was in command all the way.

In the semi-final, a big upset was staged when Fred Roots, 162, Sacramento, floored Tony Dominguez, 157, Oakland, three times in the third round to hand Tony the second loss of his career.

In other bouts, James Patrick, 147, Oakland, also surprised by shading Steve Mendoza, 148, San Jose, 6, and George Thomas, 168, Oakland and Pete Heiser, 169, Richmond drew, 4.

▸ Los Angeles . . . Raymundo (Battling) Torres, the hot local favorite wasted little time in disposing of Antonio Marcilla of Argentina. One powerful right to the jaw ended matters in 2:52 of the opening round. It was the thirty-fourth kayo in 41 wins in 44 bouts for the Mexican bomber.

Orlando de la Fuentes, 149, won his sixth straight when he outclassed Del Bowens, 147, with the referee stopping it in the third round.

In other bouts, Pelon Chasco, 128½, pulled off an upset by winning the decision after five rounds over Len Smike, 127. Two knockdowns in the second won for Pelon.

In the opening four, Pedro Ramirez, 125, defeated Felipe Larrazola, 126.

▸ Sacramento . . . Dave (Schoolboy) Brown, 159½, Oakland, continued his jinx over Terry Smith, 157½, Sacramento, when for the second time he gained a T.K.O. victory over the local favorite. A deep cut over the left eye called a halt after only 1:10 of the second round. A third match is in the making.

In a wild swinging duel, Johnny Gordon, 177½, Sacramento, floored Dick Peters, 180, Portland, in the first and second, then took a beating in the next two rounds, but came back to stop his man in 1:15 of the sixth round.

Johnny Payne, 161½, San Francisco, won the verdict over Willie Turner, 165, Fresno, 6, and Bill Ladell, 143½, Oakland, decisioned Frank Souza, 144, Sacramento, in the opening four.

▸ San Francisco . . . Herman Marques, 118, Stockton, retained his state bantamweight title by hamming his way to a ninth round victory over Ronnie Perez, 118, of Hayward. Although there were no knockdowns, Ronnie was badly cut around both eyes and referee Jack Downey stepped in after 1:21 of the ninth session.

Don Edmunds, 161, Berkely and Hal Dereoun, 157½, San Francisco, fought to a draw, 6. Frank Niblett, 159, Monterey, stopped Moses Cooper, 157, Stockton, in 2:08 of the fourth and Joe Byron, 178, San Francisco, defeated Alex Rios, 202, Stockton, in the opening four.

▸ Los Angeles . . . Eddie Garcia, 134, Denver, Colo., spoiled the U.S. and West Coast debut of the RING's top ranking featherweight contender Jose Luis Cruz by winning an easy one-sided decision over Cruz. Jose Luis who scaled 132, never was able to get untracked against the flashy Garcia. Cruz who had won 16 of 17, with 15 kayos got off fast and landed some stiff rights to the head in the first round, but after that it was all Garcia. A real surprise was the votes of the officials, they all scored it 11-1 for Garcia.

Santa Cruz . . . Boxing returned to this town after an absence of eight months with young Thad Spencer, 201½, Tacoma, Wash. running his record to nine wins in ten starts with a one-sided ten round verdict over Dave Furch, 200, from Phoenix, Arizona. Spencer looks like one of the better of the young crop of heavyweights on the west coast.

Sacramento . . . Former welterweight champion Don Jordan, 144, Los Angeles, took another step down the road to nowhere as he lost the decision to unheralded Rodolfo (Chivo) Diaz, 141½, Torreon, Mexico. Diaz, just another club fighter was too strong for Jordan and carried the fight to the former champion all the way.

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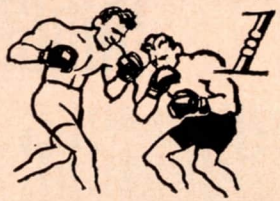

BATTLING LEVINSKY fought THREE main events in THREE different places

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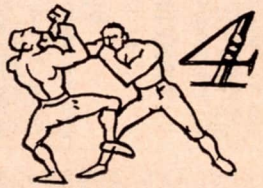

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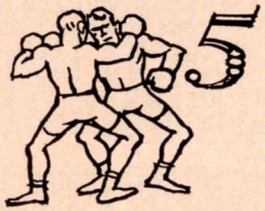

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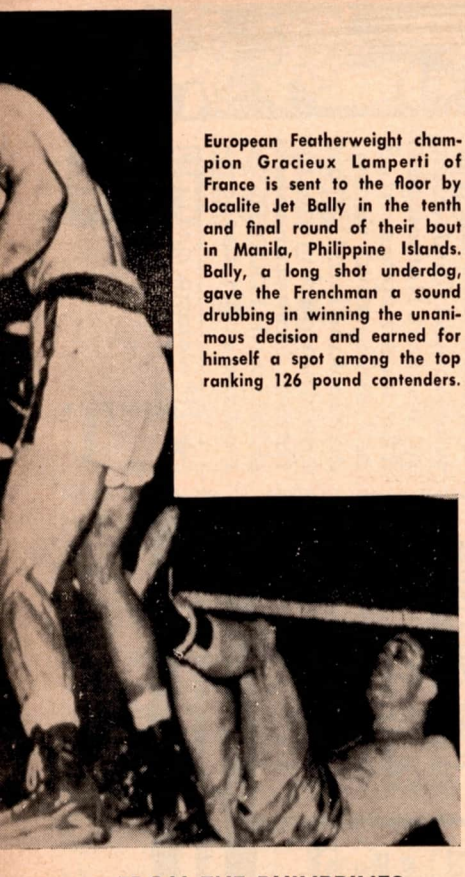


European Featherweight champion Gracieux Lamperti of France is sent to the floor by localite Jet Bally in the tenth and final round of their bout in Manila, Philippine Islands. Bally, a long shot underdog, gave the Frenchman a sound drubbing in winning the unanimous decision and earned for himself a spot among the top ranking 126 pound contenders.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

Joe Brown, world lightweight champion successfully defended his crown against Filipino challenger, Bert Somodio, lightweight champion of the orient in 12 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum of Quezon City. This was a bout between a bull and a matador; an American rapier against a Filipino bolo. Read my story elsewhere.

▸ Johnny Gonzalves, 141 pounder of California badly outpointed Roberto Cruz, 141½ and welterweight champion of the Philippines in 10 round main event at the Araneta Coliseum. The 31 year veteran of Oakland was the master of the 19 year old Filipino from all angles. The decision was unanimous.

Gonsalves countered for the first eight rounds. Roberto failed to land his haymaker against a dancing master. The biggest round of Roberto was the third when he landed two rights that sent the American to the ropes. Gonsalves knew to free himself in a danger zone. In the 9th Johnny took the offensive, rocking the Filipino with rights. To save his skin to the floor, Roberto clinched and backed away for the rest of the period.

▸ Sugar Roy Yalong, 133, won over Ador Plaza, 134, in 8. Vic Campo, 112, and former flyweight champion had an easy win over Baby Espinosa, 113, in another 8 rounder. Rosalave Kid, 127, bested Henry Toledo, 125, in 6. Jess (Joe) Dabu, 127, defeated Kid Aguilos, 125, in 6. Willie Cordova, 119, beat Junie Morgado, 120, in 4. Joe Bermeo, 128, outclassed Bert Saulan, 127, in another 4 rounder. Ray Ortiz, 113, whipped Romeo Rendor, 115, in the 4 round opener.

▸ Leo Espinosa, Junior N.B.A. Welterweight champion, 120½ won over Ray Asis, 120¼, in the 10 round non-title bout at the Besa Boxing Arena. It was the experience of Leo that saved his skin. He was staggered twice in the early rounds. Leo knew how to tie up his rival when in bad shape. His two round rally, 9th and 10th, gained the nod of the referee and one of the judges.

Dony Tesoro, 126, badly outpointed Casey Reyes, 125, in 10 rounds. The only round clearly won by Reyes was the fourth and the rest were Tesoro's. Casey was no match against the rising featherweight. Leo Macalintal, 115, bested Sixto Plenos, 115, in 6. Sir Villan, 112, beat Diony Gosy, 112, in 4. Clever Sigler, 129, decisioned Fer dela Pena, 128, in 4. Renee Pantaleon, 11 and Bart Limin, 108, drew in 4 round opener.

▸ Curly Aguirre, 118, won the 10-headliner of Besa Boxing Arena against Dommy Balajadia, 117. It was a very close contest from the start, both boys tried to kill each other from the first gong. Aguirre suffered a one-inch cut over his left eye while Balajadia's left eye was completely closed. Majority of the crowd resented the decision of the referee and one of judges in favor of Aguirre. The best decision should have been a draw.

▸ Kid Tacio Jr., 118, won over Fil Mendy, 116, in 10 rounds. Baby Demilliones, 118, was disqualified by the referee in the 4th round for repeatedly hitting low against Lory Articulo, 111, for a scheduled 10 rounder.

Ben Martires, 124, decisioned Alex Magbanua, 125, in 4. Carlos Yatco, 124, bested Benny Romano, 123, in 4. Ronnie Robles, 113, and San Antonio Boy, 114, drew in 4 round curtain raiser.

▸ Guizani Rezgui, 139½, French-Tunisian fighter defeated Filipino Ravalo, 139½, in 10 rounds at the Rizal Coliseum for the benefit of the Philippine Amilioration Fund Commission. The Tunisian proved too fast and clever for the slow moving Filipino slugger.

In the 4th round, a left by Ravalo opened a cut under Guizani's left eye and that started the bong bong dance. In the 10th and last round, the Filipino landed a right sending the Tunisian to the floor for no count and then the bell. The kayo punch came late in the evening.

Young Aquino, 119, and Arab Junior, 119, drew in 10 rounds. It was a dull and slow bout throughout the night, the crowd booed the referee and the fighters. Arab was a last minute substitute for Vic Campo so was not ready for the brawl as expected from him. David Asuncion, 110, beat Sixtos Plenos, 114 in 6 round special attraction. Emil de Leon, 122, won over Peter (Brown) Fernando, 120, in 6. Vera Cruz, 110, defeated Leo Regaspi, 110, in another 6 rounder. Fighting Albert, 129, outpointed Sonny Espanol, 129, in 6. Cali Goyena, 113, whipped Clever Carding, 114, in 4. Virgilio Villacin, 110, decisioned Alex Candelaria, 108, in the 4 round opener.

▸ Romeo Dundee Pineda, 120, halted Ernie Paredes, 119, in the 5th at Besa Boxing Arena. Paredes started the fireworks from the first bell, punching without stopping, but without steam to floor any rival.

Hermie Magbanua, 125, defeated Kid Johnson, 125, in a very close and thrilling bout of 8 rounds. Buen Romero, 132, and Dick Carlos, 135, drew in 6. Star Rodriguez, 111, and Mat Diosdado, 113, also drew in 4. Al Domalaya, 116, drew with Willie Bel Aldie, 115, in 4. Jessie Fernandez, 107, bested Ray Martin, 105, in 4. Gene Castro, 135, outsmart Mel Ferrer, 131, in another 4 rounder. Fer dela Pena, 127, decisioned Terrible Dineros, 128, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▸ Fil Mendy, 119, kayoed Dory Articulo, 119, in the 5th round at Besa Boxing Arena. Mendy was too strong for the fast-stepping Articulo. Any punch from Mendy really hurts his rival. A left to the jaw followed by a right ended the night for Dory boy. Rudy Pacheco, 133, badly bested Boy Anastacio, 134, in 8 heats. Dio Cagulada, 127, won over Rogelio Tulonghari, 127, in another 8 rounder.

Abraham Kid, 104, beat Boy Francisco, 104, in 6. Jess Dabu, 124, and Tem Oftana, 123, drew in 4. Rush Rogelio, 112, and Leo Lanaca, 110, also drew in 4. Tony Ergina, 118, outpointed Remy Fernandez, 119, in 4. Midget Paras, 109, halted Pete Santiago, 111, in the 4th of the opener.

▸ Auburn Copeland, 129, halted Army Wonder Boy, 128, in 6th round at Araneta Coliseum. Auburn inflicted a cut on Boy's forehead in the 3rd round and it had been his main target in the evening. Incessant pounding on the cut had caused it to enlarge and bleed freely forced the referee to stop the bout and awarded the decision to Copeland.

Ronnie Jones, 118, and Kid Pio Tatel, 120, fought to a technical 3 round draw, when Tatel was bleeding from a 3-inch cut over his left eyebrow. It was the decision of Dr. Casasola which was relayed to the referee, who declared that it was a draw. Mighty Bargan, 140, stopped Pat Lakandulo, 138, in the 4th round with a right to the jaw.

Vic Ibanes, 123, won a very unpopular decision over Pa Aranas, 119, in 6. Tim Chico, 116, whipped Jess de Leon, 116, in 6. Roger Ravalo, 113, drew with Ray Mario, 114, in 4. Tony Publico, 115, bested Cris Fernandez, 112, in another 4 rounder. Star Willie, 137, iced Evan Coronado, 136, in 2 of the 4 round curtain raiser.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

▸ **Former Australian amateur champion** and Olympic representative in Rome, ROCKY GATTELARI, turned professional at Sydney Stadium on September 18 and stopped FREDDIE AH SAM in the third round. Rocky, our flyweight in Rome, now is a bantamweight. Rocky has the style to beat our national bantam champion, Johnny Jarrett.

Our other recently-turned pro from amateur ranks, welterweight SID PRIOR, had his sixth and seventh pro starts during the month—for his sixth and seventh pro wins inside the distance.

In Melbourne on October 6, he knocked out HELMUT WINKINS in the sixth round. At Sydney Stadium ten days later, he stopped BOBBY LIDDLE in the seventh round. Five of Sid's pro fights have been scheduled to go 12 rounds, while the other two have been "tens." He is doing well.

▸ At Sydney Stadium three ten-rounders topped the program. The best fight was between bantamweights JOHNNY LAWRENCE and KEN BRADLEY, with Lawrence gaining a points win. This lad is tireless.

In another ten, lightweight BILLY EBSWORTH, yet another former amateur star, fought all over veteran GORDON BELL and stopped Gordon at the end of the fourth round. Ebsworth, a gym mate of Bradley and hailing from Canberra, Australia's capital city, is a lad who will make his presence felt in the pro ranks, provided he stays a lightweight.

The third ten-rounder was a one-sided affair which went all the way and had little variety. JIMMY SMITH, a rising boy who shows promise, easily outpointed trial horse ALDO COLANGELO in a featherweight fight.

▸ At the Brisbane Festival Hall, JACKIE TRESCHMAN, the third best flyweight in Australia, had an interesting night against Italian bantamweight, PAUL STIPICCHIO, but the local won on points.

At the Melbourne Festival Hall, Ghanian featherweight DENNIS ADJEI stopped Australian stylist, DAVID FLOYD in the tenth round. David was all over Adjei, but suffered a cut eye and the bout was stopped.

▸ But, Floyd again lost inside the distance, this time to American, DON JOHNSON, who himself was topped by Australian Les McLean, in Don's first Australian fight. Again Floyd was on top when the end came, this time in the sixth round. There seems to be something wrong with David's stamina.

Australian middleweight champion PETER READ knocked out American, RAY GRECO, in the ninth round at the Melbourne Festival Hall, but Peter showed he still is far from being a polished boxer.

▸ In the same stadium, welter KEITH LEWIS knocked out BOBBY HYLAND in six rounds. Lewis is a busy performer who always gives plenty of action.

At Ulmarra, NSW, lightweight JOHNNY WILMOTT from Brisbane, narrowly outpoined Sydneysider Gordon Bell over 12 rounds.

▸ A new stadium has opened at Wickham, a suburb of Newcastle (second biggest city in NSW). This is the Basketball Stadium and on Saturday nights, boxing now is held. So far there have been three programs.

In the first on September 23, lightweights LUIGI EVANGELISTA and CHARLIE BELL turned on a two-man war which went to Evangelista on points after 12 rounds.

▸ The following week, welters RON SMITH and BRENDON TAPP gave a rugged fight over 12 rounds, with referee Tommy Chapman's decision being a draw.

The week after that NORM JONES knocked out BILLY HOLDEN in three rounds. A count-out. Jones is a tough customer who packs a wallop.

▸ JIMMY CARRUTHERS will have his second comeback fight against Australian featherweight champion WALLY TAYLOR at Sydney Stadium next month, with a weight limit of 129 pounds.

NEWS FROM TORONTO, CANADA
By Jacques Tachauer

It was announced on Oct. 3rd that the World's Heavyweight Championship match between titleholder Floyd Patterson and challenger Tom McNeeley slated for Boston on Nov. 13th, had been rescheduled for Toronto on Dec. 4th. As originally planned the bout will be promoted by the Bolan brothers of Championship Sports Incorporated. Local promoter Frank Tunney will also have a hand in the affair. Patterson and McNeeley signed their contracts here on Oct. 16th. It will mark the first time that the Heavyweight Crown is contested for in the Dominion of Canada. Back on July 25th, 1956 England's promoter Jack Solomons and numerous other brought together Archie Moore and James J. Parker at this citie's ball park, Maple Leaf Stadium, for a fifteen rounder which they billed as for the title vacated by Rocky Marciano. This match however never was recognized and rightfully so.

The Patterson-McNeeley fight though is definitely a legitimate World's title bout. It may not be exactly the dream match the public would like to see but it should be interesting and it figures to be a financial success. The fight has created great interest here and Maple Leaf Gardens which is the site of battle can hold some 15,000 for boxing and should be sold out completely.

▸ Former Heavyweight King Jersey Joe Walcott has already been selected as referee well in advance. It was a dispute over who was to be the third man that brought about the fight being moved out of Bean Town.

▸ It's possible the title go will draw many fans from Western Canada as well as other distant points, for the annual East-West Grey Cup football

classic is also held in Toronto this year and will be played two days before the fight.

▸ Those in attendance at the Gardens will also see the Albert Westphal-Sonny Liston clash which is held the same night in Philadelphia, on closed-circuit T.V. screens which will be placed around the ring, as well as the usual preliminary card.

THE CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

New Glasgow, N.S.—Billy Pickett, 157, New York, as fine a looking middleweight prospect as Eastern Canada has ever seen, completely outclassed rugged Doug Odo, 158, Thorburn, N.S., and stopped him cold midway through the first round of a scheduled ten, headlining Promoter Harry Trainor's seventh and final show of the season. Odo was nothing but a punching bag for the fast-stepping, sharpshooting Pickett. Odo was dropped in 2.05.

The six round semi-final was short lived as Larry Ross, 163, Saint John, N.B. all but took veteran Alf Grant, 154, Halifax, apart with a savage attack and slammed him to the canvas with a short left hook at the 2.10 mark of the first round.

In a four rounder, Johnny Harb, 129, New Glasgow, came back after a hard right had him down for a nine count in the first round and was holding his own with Jimmy Carter, 129, Dartmouth, midway through the second when Carter really cut loose with a furious attack that again put Harb on rubbery legs, a good left hook followed by a wicked straight right to the heart finished him for good.

A three round exhibition by the MacIsaac brothers, seven year old Tommy and Bobby, a six year old, brought down the house.

GLACE BAY, N.S.—Cecil Gray, 188, Halifax, out of action for nine months, rallied after a shaky first round to pound burly Gordie McDougall, 176, Sydney, from corner to corner before stopping him in the eighth and defending his Maritime heavyweight title before some 2500 fans at the Miners Forum, promoted by Gussie MacLellan. A hard right in the second floored McDougall for a eight count.

He ran into more lefts and rights in the fourth and was dropped twice more for long counts. McDougall fighting gamely got through the sixth and seventh only to catch a winging right midway through the eight, ripping a cut over his left eye and Referee Pordena Smith called a halt.

The semi-final of six had undefeated Allie Steele, 127, Reserve Mines, stopping Leo Steele, 132, Charlottetown, P.E.I., in the fifth round in an uphill fight.

In another six, young Les Gillis, 124, New Waterford, made short work of inexperienced Eddie Paris, 126, New Glasgow, and stopped him in two.

Kevin Richardson, 148, Sydney, iced Young Poulton, 143, Charlottetown, with one right smash at the 2.30 mark of the first.

In the opener, Colin McPhail, 155, Sydney, scored a second round TKO over overmatched Kenny Bliss, 153, Halifax. Bliss failed to answer the bell for the third round.

AMHERST, N.S.—Two of the 'Maritimes' better welters travelled to Amherst to close out the summer season in this northern town and really staged a sizzler for ten rounds. Blaine Hayden, 147, Springhill, N.S. out of the ring for ten years due to sickness, had only one fight this year, a loss to Joey Durelle, was the underdog in the betting but walked off with a unanimous decision over buzz-saw 'Peanuts' Arsenault, 148, Summerside, P.E.I. Hayden opened an old cut over Peanuts' left eye in the fourth.

In the semi-final of six, a newcomer to Nova Scotia rings, Ron Brothers, 164, Saint John, N.B. was too rough and tough for veteran Bobby Leadley, 161, Dartmouth, N.S. and stopped the plodding veteran midway in the first round.

Sheridan Lawrence, 143, Halifax, blasted Austin Williams, 147, Springhill, for a second round TKO.

In the opener, Ray Fagan, 138, Port Elgan, N.B. stopped Doug. Hogan, 139, Saint John, N.B. at 1.44 of the first round.

SYDNEY, N.S.—Basil Arsenault, 174, Mira, fast-rising Maritime light heavyweight added another win to his now impressive record as he scored his tenth victory in eleven fights and scored his eighth kayo when he stopped Frank Pilgrim, 175, Stephenville, Nfld. in two. Pilgrim down for a five count when the bell rang ending the first, sprained his right wrist and could not come out for the second.

Tyrone Gardiner, 135, Sydney and Jimmy Calhoun, 135, New York, gave the fans an exciting scrap for five rounds before Gardiner, the Maritime lightweight champ, stopped his man at the 1.50 mark after having him down three times.

In another six, Hugh MacDonald, 185, New Waterford, and Clary Penton, 190, Stephenville, stood toe-to-toe throughout with MacDonald being awarded a sixth round TKO win that did not go over too well with the mob or Penton.

In a four round opener, Frank McDougall, 124, Sydney, ran his undefeated string to four as he was awarded the decision over Dave Leggett, 129, Halifax.

HALIFAX, N.S.—Floyd McCoy, 168, New York, often kayoed veteran, looked good for three rounds before being caught by one right hook to the chin thrown by Blair Richardson, 164, Sydney. McCoy took an eight count, staggered to his feet but was helpless and Referee Jack Delaney called it off at the 1.15 mark of the third. McCoy was down once in the second for a four count.

In the semi-final of six, Jimmy Dorsey, 141, New York, made it two in a row when he completely outclassed Les Sprague, 136, Amherst, N.S.

In another six, Dave Downey, 146, Halifax, won his fifth of six as he gave clowning George Munroe, 143, Halifax, a bad going over before stopping him in three.

In fours: One of the biggest upsets of the season saw unheralded and unsung Steve Johnson, 145, Liverpool, N.S., upset all the experts by tearing Kevin Richardson, 147, Sydney, apart.

In the opener, Percey Jarvis, 134, Halifax, came from away back to kayo stiff punching Jimmy Carter, 130, Halifax, midway through the third in a great fight.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

▸ **Honolulu's Stan Harrington,** 149, easily outpointed Frankie Ramirez, 148, of California in a 10 round main event held at the Civic Auditroium.

The fight was promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. and drew 1,520 fans and grossed $2,748.65.

Harrington won every round and got the unanimous decision but his performance was lackluster and disappointing. The way it was, Ramirez didn't punch hard enough to bother Harrington, so it seemed the only thing Harrington needed to do was to wade in and punch away, trying for a kayo. This he failed to do. In fact, he landed only a few solid blows and these few Ramirez took without blinking an eye causing many to believe that perhaps Harrington no longer carries a knockout punch.

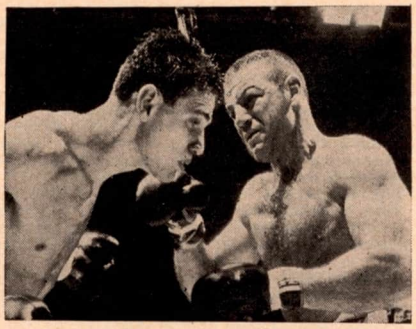
Anacleto Battad, 159, decisioned Larry Sabada, 163½, 4 rds.

William Coleman, 130, knocked out John Hesia, 129½, in 3rd of 4.

Gilbert Rivera, 176, beat Rapoldo Bitte, 180½. 3 rds.

John Lopes, 139¾, TKO'ed Charles Lopes, 139½, in 3rd.

Gil Morreira, 119, TKO'ed Xavier Santos, 120¾, in 3rd.



George Logan (right) lands one of the few clean punches he managed to reach Tony Alongi with in their ten round heavyweight bout in Madison Square Garden. That saw Tony rack up his 28th straight win via a unanimous decision in a dull tugging match.

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IN LATIN AMERICA

LA LAGUNA TERRITORY

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

JAVIER "SUGAR" ZATARAIN, the sensational 19-year old hitter had a real good month. The kid scored two fast kayoes over top opposition and the promoters are thinking now to fight Zatarain against veteran "Toluco" Lopez. The Sugar is torpid as a boxer but he can hit like a mule.

The Dipp Brothers staged 3 shows during the month at their Arena "Olimpica" of Gomez Palacio and here you have the results:

Leaden-fisted Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 127, needed only one round to knock out seasoned Max "Aracuan" Huerta, 125, Mexico City. The bell rang and The Sugar landed a terrific left hook to Huerta's pit-of-the-stomach and . . . that was all! And it must be stated that Max Huerta is ranked among the 10-best Mexican featherweights.

In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, another newcomer Jose Guadalupe "Lupe" Briones, 116, put to sleep "Gallito" Uribe, 114, in the fourth heat. Rest of the card: Agustin Salinas, 129, stopped Teo Gonzalez, 132, in the second; Juan Rivas, 131, bested Lupe Mendoza, 129, in six rounds; Guillermo "Memo" Arredon, 119, kayoed Roman Andrade, 119, in two heats.

▸ Veteran crane-man Fidel Lucero, 141, who is now campaigning in Los Angeles, came to his home town and he easily kayoed unknown Samuel "Big Sam" Serrano, 146, in three rounds.

Lupe Briones, 116, the little mosquito, scored a 10-round kayo over Tony Hernandez, 117, Monterrey. Popo Arellano, 125, upset favorite Jesus Segovia, 124, in 8 well-fought rounds; Roberto Rivas, 115, kayoed Jose Luis Lopez, 112, in the third heat; Rodolfo Escobedo, 132, whipped Alex Ortiz, 128, in four rounds.

▸ Here you have that Sugar again! Now the boy received a real 2-minute beating from experienced and clever Hector "Shorty" Agundez, 120. Agundez landed both fists as he pleased. But suddenly, at 2 minutes 2 seconds of that first round, Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 123, smashed his foe with a right cross. The blow exploded on Agundez's chin and the man flew away out from the ring. Referee Nato Chavarria counted 20 seconds and he declared that Sugar Bomber the winner in 2 minutes and 2 seconds of the very first round.

In other tenner, the sensational youngster Luis "Chino" Ramirez, 125, a high school student, nailed his left hook on Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz' jaw and sent him to the Kayo Paradise in the fourth round. Ruiz, from Monterrey, weighed 126 pounds. Rest of the card: Cecilio Vargas, 134, kayoed Teo Gonzales, 134, in the fifth; Carmel Cortez, The Gypsy, 119, decisioned Pilo Guash, 118, in six rounds; Mario Rebollar, 110, iced Melquiades Martinez, 106, in three.

▸ In San Pedro, the oldest city of this Cotton Territory, the promoters staged four boxing shows during the month, at Arena "San Pedro." My good friends Juanito Abusaid and Vic Cepeda are the owners of the little place. San Pedro City is around 18 miles out from Torreon. Here you have the results of those shows.

Perico Andrade, 175, kayoed Baby Hernandez, 168, in the sixth of their scheduled 10-round main event. Pedro "Sordo" Zapata, 126, whipped Francisco Esparza, 130, in other tenner. Rafael Jimenez, 146, decisioned David Ramirez, 145, in six. Dimas Maciel, 119, stopped Alberto Olguin, 118, in the second round. Kid Topito, 116, iced Nick Rosales, 115, in the third.

▸ Manuel Favela, 145, Lerdo, got the 10-round duke over veteran Ray Mejia, 148. "Rayito de Aguascalientes," 120, bested Lorenzo Leyva, 124, in ten heats. Chucho Hernandez, 118, defeated Chucho Esquivel, 118, in six rounds. Toño Medina, 127, outpointed Baby Mario, 126, in other 6-round bout. Jose Hoyos, 110, bested Memo Salazar, 109, in four.

▸ Jose Raul "Capi" Castro, 200, Red Cross Man, scored a clean 3-round kayo triumph over Jose "Moro" Babun, 190. Leopoldo "Chino" Garza, 192, stopped Bernardo Lozano, 200, also in the third heat. And to complete the 3-Round Kayo Nite, Carlos Babun, 138, embalmed Carlos Ferniza, 136 . . . of course in 3 rounds!

▸ Pedro "Sordo" Zapata, 129, outpointed Vicente Flores, 132, in ten rounds. "Rayito de Aguascalientes," 121, and Francisco Esparza, 127, drew after eight rounds. David Ramirez, 145, bested Jose Angel, 144, in six heats.

▸ **PUEBLA:** Rafael Camacho, 135, put to sleep Antonio "Tony" Sanchez, 134, Lightweight Champion of Puebla, in the eighth round. Ignacio "Nacho" Duran, 119, stopped "Casanova" Arroyo, 118, in the sixth. Carlos Guzman, 117, halted Elias Chavez, 118, in the third round.

▸ **TUXTLA:** Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 135, La Laguna, kayoed Manny Sanchez, 132, in four rounds. Bobby went Tuxtla to get marry with Miss Alicia Vazquez but unfortunately the girl suffered a tragic accident and she died the same night of the boxing show.

Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 19-year-old featherweight punching sensation from Gomez-Palacio, Mexico, who looms as the newest knockout rage of the Mexican Provinces. "Sugar" scored two one round kayos last month.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** "Chocolate" Zambrano, 123, decisioned Adalberto "Pollo" Martinez, 124, in ten heats. Roberto Lopez, 112, decisioned Federico Palomares, 111, in the 8-round semifinal.

▸ **PUEBLA:** Carlos "Tarzan" Hernandez, 128, outpointed veteran Adrian "BomBom" Kiriz, 129, in ten unilateral rounds.

▸ **VICTORIA:** Fidel Alfaro, 117, Mexico City, decisioned Arturo Vazquez, 117, Monterrey, in ten rounds. Gaby Beltran, 116, Mexico City, kayoed badly Mario Garcia, 117, in the fifth round. Mario got a broken jaw.

▸ **SALINA CRUZ:** Jesus "Chucho" Hernandez, 114, National Flyweight King, and high ranked mosquito in THE RING lists, scored a clean 5-round knock out over Armando Maldonado, 116, Sonora State Flyweight Champ.

▸ **CUERNAVACA:** Nicolas Ruiz, 120, stopped Miguel Sanchez, 123, Mexico City, in four. Ernesto Perez, 123, kayoed Antonio Becerril, 121, in the 4th heat.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** Battling Kid, 128, Aguascalientes, outpointed Leno Villalpando, 129, in the 10-round main event. Jose Luis Castillo, 125, bested Rodolfo Gonzalez, 126, in eight heats.

▸ **CUAUTLA:** Jorge Marcias, 140, put to sleep David Camacho, 139, in only three rounds.

▸ **PUEBLA:** Jorge Salazar, 125, Puebla, whipped Roberto Bravo, 126, Mexico City, in ten. Nabor "Generalito" Gonzalez, 114, Mexico City, kayoed Amado Garcia, 113, in the second round.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** "Alacran" Torres, 114, defeated "Toro" Padilla, 116, Acapulco little bull in 10 rds. Padilla visited the canvas by two times. Alfredo Sanchez, 126, kayoed Lalo Duran, 126, Mexico City, in the third round.

▸ **MONTERREY:** Jose "Joey" Reyes, 125, Chihuahua, drew with Jorge Ceja, 126, Mexico City, after 10 wild rounds. Salvador Bernal Martinez, 130, kayoed Jimmy Lopez, 133, in the third.

▸ **ACAPULCO:** Fidencio Ramirez, 134, easily outscored Raul Reyes, 131, in ten rounds.

▸ **JUAREZ:** Ernesto Barrera, 113, former National Fly Champ, scored a clean cut 10-round decision triumph over local boy Ismael Gutierrez, 113. Javier "Calaco" Leon, 126, kayoed Roberto "Perro" Hernandez, 127, in the eighth round.

▸ **CUERNAVACA:** Alex Arenas, 135, Acapulco, got the 10-round duke over Jorge Frikas, 133. Antonio Ortega, 110, kayoed Jorge Martinez, 108, in four heats.

▸ **TIJUANA:** "Pulga" Serrano, 125, upset Herman Marquez, 120, in ten rounds. Jose Rivera, 126, Feather Champ of Nayarit State, decisioned Gabriel Brambila, 125, Guadalajara, in ten rounds.

▸ **RIO VERDE:** Rodolfo Caballero, 126, halted Marcelo Gonzalez, 124, in the sixth round. Baltasar Reyes, 130, kayoed Isidro Chilango, 133, in the fifth heat.

▸ **MATAMOROS:** Jorge "Zurdo" Salazar, 118, Durango, whipped "Chamaco" Perez, 122, in ten rounds. Jesus "Chuy" Pruneda, 118, kayoed Panchito Hernandez, 117, in the third round. "Borrado" Aguirre, 134, outpointed Alejandro Neri, 135, in 10 heats.

▸ **TUXTLA:** Joe Aparicio, 126, kayoed "Cubanito" Gonzalez, 128, in only three rounds.

▸ **SAN LUIS:** Pedro "Mosco" Rodriguez, 111, outpointed "Cuervo" Tellez, 112, in ten. Marceliano Diaz, 119, stopped "Cubanito" Perez, 118, in the seventh.

▸ **HUACHINANGO:** Vicente Saldivar, 126, bested clever veteran Jose Luis Mora, 125, in 10 well fought rounds.

Venerable Kid Azteca was the referee in the inauguration of Arena "Kid Azteca" named so in honor of the great Idol of Mexican boxing.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** Second class fighter Gildo "Paton" Montoya, 142, surprised the fans when he easily whipped first class welter Marcelo Vargas, 145, in ten rounds. Gildo floored the favorite three times to make his triumph clear. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal Luis "Chamaco" Hernandez, 120, Durango and stablemate of Marcelo, kayoed Haro Hernandez, 122, in only four rounds.

▸ **ACAPULCO:** "Oso" Galvan, 117, kayoed Roberto SanMartin, 119, in the fifth round. Moi Aguirre, 123, bested Esteban Figueroa, 122, in ten heats.

▸ **MONTERREY:** Apolonio Salinas, 109, the new little mosquito sensation, kayoed gallant deaf-mute Elias Olivo, 110, in four rounds. Jose Zamora, 128, bested veteran Panchito Villa II, 127, in the 10-round semifinal.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** "Chocolate" Zambrano, 123, kayoed Jesus Luna, 122, in the fifth round. Jorge Rosales, 124, stopped J. Cruz Barajas, 125, in the second heat.

▸ **GUAYMAS:** Ramon "Buffalo" Hernandez, 159, upset Everardo Armenta, 156, National Middleweight Champion in ten rounds. It was a real poor start for a real poor Champion.

▸ **PUEBLA:** Rafael Camacho, 135, kayoed Rodolfo Santamaria, 137, in the third round. Nacho Duran, 117, outpointed Isaias Espejel, 116, in ten rounds.

▸ **GUADALJARA:** Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 125, LaLaguna bang-bang guy, surprised all the Guadalajara fans when he kayoed local Feather Champ, Rudy Coronado, 126, in the very first round of their scheduled tenner. Juan Lopez, 128, won Abel Hurtado, 126, in ten rounds.

▸ **MONTERREY:** "Chico" Jasso, 114, the mosquito from La Silla Peak, easily decisioned "Raton" Mojica, 115, Nicaragua, C.A., Champion, in ten rounds. Javier Coronado, 120, whipped Jesus Castillo, 122, in ten.

▸ **ACAPULCO:** "Charrito" Gomez, 124, floored 3 times Adrian Rojas, 125, and he finally knocked-out his man in the ninth of their scheduled 10-round main event. Marcelino Lorenzo, 111, also kayoed "Gato" Navarrete, 115, in the fifth.

▸ **OAXACA:** Efren Jimenez, 126, scored a 5-round kayo over Rosendo Martinez, 129.

▸ **GUASAVE:** Fino Rosales, 126, stopped Pedro Hernandez, 127, in the fifth. Tony Perez, 135, the best lightweight around the Pacific Coast of Mexico, put to sleep Beto Gerardo, 139, in eight rounds. Francisco Cancio, 137, also kayoed Samuel Ruiz, 142, in the second round.

▸ **SALINA CRUZ:** Raciel Mendoza, 117, bested "Merengue Junior," 119, in ten rounds. Here you have a real nickname: "merengue" means meringue candy in English.

▸ **LEON:** Veteran ex-champion Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 135, won by disqualification over Rip Randall, 134, Texas, in the eighth round. A butt was the cause. Rodolfo Lopez, 137, Mexico City, bested Kid Guanajuato, 135, in the 10-round semifinal.

▸ **JUAREZ:** Evaristo "Cuervo" Salinas, 115, upset for the second time topnotcher Edmundo Esparza, 118, in ten rounds. This time the little Cuervo won more easily than the first time they fought. Venancio Hernandez, 122, decisioned Panchito Gonzalez, 125, in 8 rounds.

▸ **CUERNAVACA:** Polo Navarro, 125, kayoed "Grillo" Duran, 122, in the third round. "Gato" Briseño, 121, whipped Ramon Estrada, 120, in ten heats.

▸ **TUXTLA:** Jose Luis Dominguez, 115, local boy and Carlitos Gomez, 114, Mexico City, scored a 5-round technical draw. A mutual butt was the cause.

▸ **HUACHINANGO:** "Raton" Perez, 117, Mexico City, kayoed Sergio Mendizabel, 118, in the sixth round.

▸ **ACAPULCO:** Alex Arenas, 136, Guerrero State Lightweight Champion, easily handled and kayoed Ray Reyes, 133, in the seventh round. Miguel Aguero, 122, scored a 9-round technical decision over Gil Escobar, 122.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:** Vicente Garcia, 113, bested "Chivete" Martinez, 111, Acapulco, in ten. Babe Reyes, 132, decisioned Battling Kid, 130, in other tenner.

▸ **MONTERREY:** Sabino Mendez, 120, outscored "Pulga" Garcia, 118, in ten heats. "Ardilla" Garcia, 123, won Juan Perales, 125, in ten.

▸ **TIJUANA:** Jose Lopez, 121, Tijuana, bested "Chanqui" Guerra, 122, in ten rounds. Jose Rivera, 127, decisioned Gabriel Brambila, 128, in the 10-round semifinal.

▸ **PUEBLA:** Valentin Rangel, 139, Mexico City, and veteran Adrian "BomBom" Kiriz, 136, drew after ten rounds. Tony Sanchez, 133, kayoed Alberto Quintero, 130, in the third heat.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

Lalo Guerrero became new national featherweight champion by defeating Juan Ramirez; Douglas Vaillant, Cuba's lightweight champion's win over Mauro Vazquez; Al Urbina beat Calucas Rios. These were the month's highlights in Mexico City. The results follow:

▸ Enrique Camarena, 135, stopped Chato Cadena, 136, in 3. Neto Villarreal, 126, stopped Panchito Ramirez, 125, in 1. David Becerril, 133, decisioned Mario Medina, 134, in 6. Juan Molina, 112, decisioned Jose Luis Ohm, 112, in 6. Gallito Perez, 114, decisioned Alfonso Batalla, 110, in 4.

▸ In a twelve-round bout for the national featherweight championship, Lalo Guerrero, 124, challenger, became the new king by stopping Juan Ramirez, 124, champ, in 3. Toluco II, 125, decisioned Antonio Aguirre, 125, in 10. Luis Ramirez, 118, drew with Grillo Duran, 117, in 6. Andres Lopez, 126, decisioned Javier Torres, 125, in 6. Pirrin Figueroa, 115, decisioned Alberto Campillo, 118, in 4.

▸ David Cervantes, 147, stopped Cisco Martinez, 146, in 4. Daniel Valdez, 118, decisioned Patricio Petatan, 118, in 8. Boticario Reyes, 112, decisioned Andrew Briseño, 112, in 6. Herminio Ceja, 118, decisioned Pajarito Corona, 117, in 6. Manuel Ochoa, 112, decisioned Jesus Salas, 111, in 4.

▸ Memo Tellez, 118, decisioned Javier Garfias, 117, in 10. Amado Baños, 134, stopped Panterita Jacome, 133, in 2. Jose Jimenez, 126, stopped Pato Carbajal, 125, in 4. Juan Estrada, 147, stopped Miguel Aceves, 146, in 3. Javier Ruiz, 128, stopped Daniel Rivera, 134, in 1.

▸ Douglas Vaillant, 140, lightweight champion of Cuba and ranked third in the world by THE RING, stopped Mauro Vazquez, 142, in 9. Lauro Garcia, 124, decisioned Jose Luis Valdez, 124, in 10. Agustin Molina, 118, decisioned Hipolito Hernandez, 118, in 6. Benito Aguila, 118, decisioned Chino Mora, 118, in 6. Gustavo Martinez, 118, decisioned Juan Avala, 113, in 4.

▸ Miguel Paredes, 119, outpointed Angel Ley, 118, in 10. Delfino Martinez, 122, decisioned Cuco Rodriguez, 122, in 8. Leopoldo Cortez, 124, decisioned Bernabe Escobar, 126, in 6. Teo Roman, 126, decisioned Mario Rodriguez, 122, in 6. Manito Mejia, 112 and Rogelio Mendoza, 106, drew in 4.

▸ Al Urbina, 137, national lightweight champion, outpointed Calucas Rios, 134, in a non-title ten-round bout. Gabriel Navarro, 133, decisioned Miguel Rojas, 136, in 10. Marcos Camacho, 134, stopped David Becerril, 133, in 2. Frijol Gonzalez, 134 and Lupe Ramirez, 133, drew in 6. Manuel Flores, 126, decisioned Amado Garcia, 125, in 4.

BOXING IN BRITISH GUIANA
By George Beckles

Caesar Barrow 135¾ lbs light weight champion of British Guiana smashed Trinidad's 34 year old James Harper, 134¾ lbs into submission at the end of the third round of their scheduled 10 round bout, it was sweet revenge for a defeat suffered a year ago at the hands of Harper who knocked out the Guianese boxer in the **first round.**

IN THE PRELIMINARIES

Claue Muesa 113½ lbs of B.G. stop Sonny Singh 116½ lbs of Trinidad **in 4.**

Jeff Chandler, 138 lbs., scored a point decision over Al Hinds, 147 lbs., **over 6 rounds.**

Alan Bradshaw out pointed Joseph Glasbrow in their 4 round bantam weight scrap.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer. G.
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▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Luis Quijano, 126, clinched the decision from Jesus Chucho" Oliva, 134, Mexico City, in 10 rounds. Ariel Rios, 117, won as he pleased in 6 from Pastor Medina, 114. Luis-Medina (Relampago Kid), 110, outscored Raton Pacheco, 113, in six fast-action. Rafael Galera, 115, stopped Miguel "Torito" Canul, 115, in two and Lobito Quintal, 107, got a draw in four with Chamaco Vazquez, 107.

▸ **PROGRESCO, YUC:** Veteran Black Bill (Humberto Rejon), 138, was beaten by Jesus "Chucho" Oliva, 134, in 6. Juan Peralta, 111, outscored Peter Cruz, 109, also in 6. Andres Garrido, 120, bested Coli de Santiago, 119, in 4 and Joe Sandoval, 108, won over Chamaco Vazquez, 107, after four.

▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Elmer Escalante, 117, won a very disputed decision from Zurdo Aparecido (Carlos Navarrete), 117, in six. It was an exciting bout. Tony Gutierrez, 125, Veracruz, defeated veteran Luis Miranda, 122, in 6. In the best fight of the night, Baby Boy, 115, fast-climbing bantam, outclassed Gil Martinez, 113, after 6. Juan Peralta, 111, nailed Baby Valdez, 110, in the third round and Kid Camaron, 122, whipped Baby Jimenez, 122, in 4.

▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Jesus "Chucho" Oliva, 134, gained a unanimous decision over Carlos Lara, 127, in 8. Joe Berzunza, 134, and Leoncito Peralta, 136, fought to draw in 6 rugged rounds. Baby Albornoz, 119, outpointed Manuel Sosa, 120, also in 6. Aparecido Chessman (Zurdo Aparecido II), 120, another of the new comers, easily bested Mike Perez, 119, in four while Chamaco Vazquez, 108, beat Kid Negrito Alvarez, 111, in 4.

▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Silverio "Chamaco" Ortis, 119, was credited with a TKO win over Carlos Villanueva, 119, of Chetumal, when the bout was halted at the beginning of the fourth because of an eye cut. Salve Ortiz, 130, clearly outpointed Kid Papas (Victor Tec), 124, in 6 unilateral rounds. Baby Quintal, 115, won a split decision from Raton Pacheco, 113, also in 6. Pepe el Toro II, 121, stopped Luis Castillo, 121, in 2 and Miguel "Torito" Canul, 117, knocked out Kid Arjona, 120, in the third roll.

▸ **CAMPECHE, CAMP:** Hernan "Zurdo" Gonzalez, 140, scored a 4th round TKO over Kid Neon (Jesse Lozano), 142, Elmer Escalante, 117, and Carlos Villanueva, 118, boxed a draw battle in 8 rounds.

▸ **CAMPECHE, CAMP:** Jorge "Chango" Villanueva (Jorge Bartolome Villanueva), 119, of Chetumal, received an unpopular decision over Ariel Rios, 117, of Yucatan, in 8 rolls. Ramon "Baby" Orozco, 124, got the duke over Raton Silva, 125, also in 8.

▸ **PUEBLA, PUE:** Zurdo Aparecido (Carlos Navarrete), 118, fighting for the first time out of his Yucatan City, had a good presentation at this city, when he crashed a left hook to Gato Roja's mid-section and put him to sleep in the eighth round.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronenberg and
Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES—At the Luna Park ring, in the light division, undefeated Abel Laudonio kayoed Antonio Murano in two.

▸ **SANTA FE**—In the middle class, undefeated Ignacio Magallanes, won by a T.K.O. over Ramón Perelló in six.

▸ **TUCUMAN**—Undefeated welterweight Ramón La Cruz kayoed José Eccli in five.

▸ **BAHIA BLANCA**—The hard puncher, Emilio Alé Ali-Sosias of Eduardo Lausse—in the welter class kayoed Rogelio André in four.

▸ **ROSARIO**—At the "Sur" ring middle weight Miguel Angel Aguero kayoed Antonio Barrera in three.

▸ **ARRECIFES**—Undefeated light weight José Tomaselli outpointed Juan C. Ramos in ten.

▸ **MENDOZA**—At the ring of the Asciation Mendocina de Box, lightweight Eloy Funes outpointed Luis Diaz in ten.

▸ **ROSARIO**—At the "Norte" ring, welterweight Juan Carlos Ducay outpointed Raúl Roldán. in ten.

▸ **MAR DEL PLATA**—At the "Bristol" ring, José Smecca won the Argentine bantam title when he won on points in 12 rounds over Ricardo Moreno.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—In a disputed fight, Horacio Accavallo, Argentine fly champion, won the South American title, beating Jupiter Mansilla, Uruguay fly champion in 15 rounds.

▸ **SALTA**—Argentine middle champion Farid Salim —now in United States—outpointed Alejandro Gallardo in ten.

▸ **TUCUMAN** — Ex-Argentine feather champion Oscar "Cachin" Diaz outpointed Oscar Vargas in ten.

▸ **MENDOZA**—In the lightweight class, Nicolino Loche outpointed Ubaldino Escobar in ten and two days later, lightweight Vicente Derado outpointed local feather champion Raúl Vargas, in ten.

▸ **ROSARIO**—Juan Casas successfully defended his title, showing his cleverness against his rival Santos Simili. They are feathers. Casas is local champion.

▸ **TEMPERLEY**—In the light class, Juan Rolón won by a T.K.O. in five over Mario Moreno.

▸ **ESQUEL**—Ex-fly world champion Pascual Perez kayoed Héctor Diaz, in the Argentine fights.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—At the "Luna Park" ring and in the feather class, Vicente Vezzone and Victorio Cespedes, drew in 10 rounds.

▸ **ROSARIO**—At the "Sur" ring and in the feather class, Juan Carlos Turisso outpointed José Fretes in ten.

▸ **SANTA FE**—Undefeated lightweight Abel Laudoni kayoed in four local champion Tomás Echague.

▸ **CORDOBA**—Argentine challenger in the welter division, Ricardo Falech, won the local title stopping Angel Ahumada in two.

▸ **TUCUMAN**—In the feather division Segundo Frias and Armando Vera drew in 10 rounds.

▸ **BAHIA BLANCA**—Good prospect in the feather class, Roberto Palavecino, outpointed Carlos Rosané in ten.

▸ **ROSARIO**—A great festival over the ring of "Norte" Stadium; Carlos Miranda, flyweight, won by a T.K.O. in the third over Mario Bernal.

Adrian Servin in the light division, won by T.K.O. in five over Jorge Bianchi. Undefeated lightweight Valerio Nuñez, won by a T.K.O. in five too over Roque Graneros.

Ramón Esquivel, stopped Francisco Jorge in five and ex-fly world champion Pascual Perez won by a T.K.O. in six over Antonio Garcia.

South American feather champion, Ricardo Gonzales, drew in 10 with Pedro Miranda.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—At the "Luna Park" ring, Juan Carlos Junco, lost his in the wetler class to Emilio Alé Ali by a T.K.O. in four. He was undefeated.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—At the "Luna Park" ring and in the lightheavy division, Gregorio Peralta outpointed José Manzur in ten.

▸ **CORDOBA**—In the welter class, Argentine and South American champion Luis Federico Thompson outpointed in 10 rounds Alberto Paz.

▸ **MENDOZA**—In the light class, undefeated Carlos Aro outpointed José Leyes in ten.

▸ **VILLA LYNCH**—In the feather division, Oscar Laudonio—brother of Abel—won by a T.K.O. over Mario Bernal.

▸ **ROSARIO**—At the "Norte" ring, and in the feather class, local city champion José Casas won the country title of Santa Fé (Rosario is the capital of Santa Fé) over Jaime Galmes in 12 rounds.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—Fly weight Demetrie Carvajal kayoed Miguel Angel Botta in the first round in 30 seconds. Previously, Botta had won 15 bouts and scored 13 knockouts.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

NATIONAL GYM, Panama City . . . Undefeated Ismael Laguna, 118½, a fast rising fighter, took another step forward when he floored Kid Catalata, 118¼, Venezuela twice in the third on his way to a kayo in 1:05 of the fourth round.

In the semi-final, Valentin Brown, 128, came off the floor in the third to gain the verdict over the veteran Black Bill, 127, in a torrid fight.

In other bouts, Luis DelCid, 128¾ edged out Miguel Murillo, 130, 4, and Francisco Valdez, 108¾ made his pro debut by winning over Jim Thousand, 111 in 4.

▸ **NATIONAL GYM, Panama City** . . . Pedro Miranda, 149¼, Cuba halted Gato Mendez, 144, Venezuela in 2:15 of the fourth round of the main event.

The semi-final was also a ten rounder in which Melvin Bourne, 130, turned in a good win in stopping Fenley Hooker, 139, when Hooker failed to come out for the seventh round.

In fours, Manuel Caisedo, 121, kayoed Felix Martinez, 121, in the first and Luis Patino, 121, defeated Rodrigo Brown, 119¼.

▸ **NATIONAL GYM, Panama City** . . . The dispute as to who was the Panama flyweight champion was settled as Pedro Carvajal, 104¾ stopped Carlos Real, 111, when Carlos failed to answer the bell for the seventh round after six brisk heats.

Carlos Cruz, 111¾ gained a close nod over Manuel Moreno, 104¾ in the ten round semi-final. In a spirited six rounder, Killer Solomon, 117½, defeated Eduardo Frutos, 120½, 6. Roberto Truco, 122, stopped Robinson Torres, 119, 2:55 of the second round.

▸ **NATIONAL GYM, Panama City** . . . Pastor Marrero, 129½, Cuba made an impressive local debut by stopping the Panama champion, Jesus Santamaria, 129½, after 45 seconds of the fifth round.

Stanley Wilson, 134, handed out a sound drubbing to Esteban Santamaria, 136, before stopping him in 2:50 of the tenth and final round. A bad night for the Santamaria family.

Promising Beresford Francis, 128½ kayoed Jose Perez, 129½, in 2:50 of the first round and Enrique Lawson, 126, made his pro debt by halting Cecilio Gutierrez, 128, in 1:50 of the second round.

▸ **NATIONAL GYM, Panama City** . . . The veteran Rodolfo (Tito) Marshall, 134½, spoiled the local debut of Daniel Berrios, 133, Puerto Rico, by gaining the verdict after ten slow dull rounds.

Clyde Thomas, 133, made quick work of Modesto Lara, 129½, ending matters in 1:10 of the first round in the semi-final. Manuel Caisedo, 121, won over Lazaro Frutos, 119, and Victor Andrade, 119, copped the decision from Kid Chocolate III, 117¾. It was Chocolate's pro debut.

PUNCHING IN PUERTO RICO
By Mario Rivera

Fast moving Daniel Berrios, 135, displayed the best form of his career in clearly outpointing Pablo Lopez, 135, New York, in ten heats at the Sixto Escobar Stadium. The rangier Lopez was made to miss his best blows continually by his shifty opponent who fought at a mile-a-minute clip from start to finish. Berrios, on the other hand, was extremely effective with hooks to the body and head throughout the battle.

Excitement reached its peak in the ninth round when an apparent accidental but by Lopez not only produced a bad cut eye of Berrios but also a gash on Pablo's forehead. The sight of blood made Lopez press a little harder but Berrios met him blow-for-blow.

In the semi-final ten rounder, Dominican lightweight Carlos T. Cruz slapped, hooked, jabbed, uppercutted and right-crossed Lionel Rivera. The referee stopped this one-sided affair in the 8th round.

Rafaelito Navarro, 133, fought a cool headed fight for a change, thereby outpointed Gerardo Clemente, 133, in six rounds.

Pete Martin Jr., 119, slapped and cuffed his way to an easy six round decision over Narciso (Kid) Motta, 118.

The best bout of the evening was the opening four rounder in which hard-hitting Jose Beneitez came back from a first round battering to score a three round kayo over Ismael Nunez, 124. The time was 1:31 of the third.

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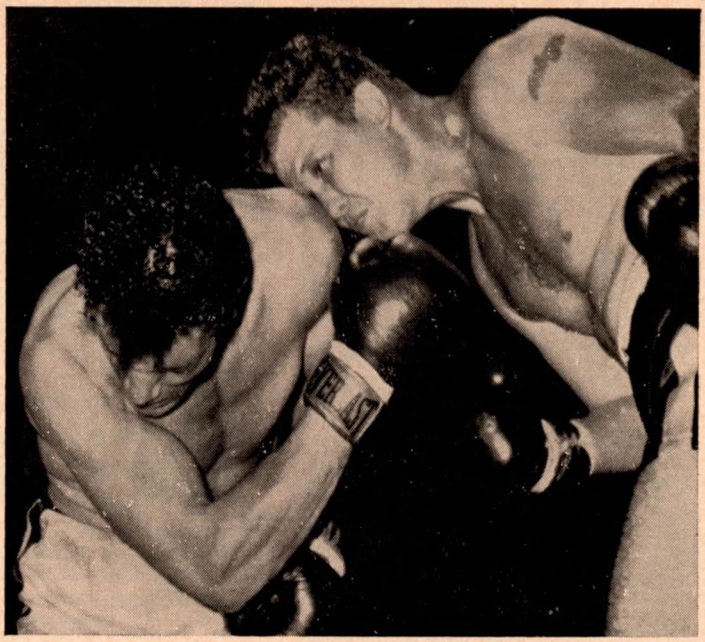

Tod Herring, Texas heavyweight comer made his first start since he was stopped by Tony Alongi, a winning one as he halted Leslie Borden of Canada in the fifth round. Here we see Borden staggering under the final assault of Herring.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

▸ **El Paso**—Freddie Rodriguez (122) Tkayoed Goldie Chambers (12) three rounds. Garland "Rip" Randall (141½) decisioned Marvin Carter (138¾) ten rounds. Zora Folley (201¼) decisioned Sonny Moore (192) ten rounds.

▸ **San Antonio**—Elmo Henderson (164) Kayoed Eloy Tellez Vann (170) one round. Joe Soto (175) decisioned Guadalupe Alvarado (181) four rounds. Humberto Barrera (119) Tkayoed Jesse Alaniz (119) four rounds. Dan Felan (140) decisioned Billy Compton (147½) eight rounds. Gaspar Ortego (146) decisioned Ramon Antonio Rodriguez (145½) ten rounds.

▸ **Laredo** — Lalo Varela (135) Kayoed Gil Tapia (142) two rounds. Larry O'Connor (146) decisioned Enrique Trevino (142) four rounds. Rene Guajardo (140) Tkayoed Joe Hargrove (137½) five rounds. Manuel Ochoa (124) decisioned Artie Clark (124) ten rounds. Sabino Mendez (120) decisioned Frank Duren (117½) ten rounds.

▸ **San Antonio**—Larry O'Connor (146) decisioned Angel Reynoso (150½) four rounds. Abelardo "Lalo" Varela (134) Tkayoed Danny Guzman (135) two rounds. Humberto Barrera (120½) Kayoed Mague Jasso (115) two rounds. Marshall Wells (150½) decisioned Andres Herrera (149) ten rounds. Santiago Gutierrez (158) decisioned Harold Redman (156½) ten rounds (Middleweight Championship Match).

▸ **Houston**—Billy Tuck, 157, kayoed Lee Mason, 160, one round. Vic Graffio, 135, decisioned Ruben Rivera, 135, ten rounds. Tod Herring, 208, kayoed Les Borden, 180, fifth round. Joe Shaw, 139, decisioned Henry Watson, 140, ten rounds. Jose Torres, 165, kayoed George Price, 162, second round.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

CAPITOL BOXING CLUB had Manuel Elias, 118, Phoenix and Chilo Carranza, 118, Tucson in the featured 10 at Tucson and Elias won the decision. In a scheduled 8-rounder, Leonard Coleman, 162, Phoenix stopped Buck Bellamy, 160, in 2. Kid Monreal, 139, stopped Booby Jo Brown in 2, and Luis Gorduno stopped Charlie Wright in 5. Gorduno of Mesa weighed 147, and Wright of Phoenix, 145.

▸ Alejandro Lavorante, the 207 pound heavyweight, awed a big crowd with his power in stopping Gerald Gaines in 2:18 of the second round. In another 10-rounder, Tony Montano decisioned Mel Ferguson of Los Angeles. Both are middles. In other preliminaries, Benny Joe Brown, 140, was awarded a TKO over R. T. McGinty, 145, in the first; and oldtimer Cecil Hudson, 171, flattened Joe Smith, 172, in the fifth of a scheduled six rounder.

▸ Gaspar Ortega returned to Tucson, and stopped Tony Coleman of Los Angeles in two. In a six, Gene Bryant won over Buck Bellamy. Bryant weighed 163, Bellamy 161. Johnny Hart, 137, Phoenix, decisioned Charlie Wright, 143, Phoenix, in six.

▸ Lightweight J. B. Cook earned an upset decision over Eddie Garcia, 134, of Denver. Cook, 135, is trained by Johnny Hart Sr. and hails from Phoenix. In other bouts, John Newman, 152, Los Angeles scored a TKO over Rudy Smith, 149, in 9; Roosevelt Ware, 149, TKOed Otha Grimes, 151, in the third; and Charlie Hall, 162, stopped Gene Boone, 158, in the second.

▸ Bobby Boyd, a shell of his former self, returned to the ring ward only to be stopped by LeRoy Green. Boyd couldn't make it past the 10th. That's where the referee stopped it.

Green of Kansas City, had his chances. Both weighed over the 170 pound mark. In the semi-final eight, Chuck Flores 137, Phoenix, decisioned Herman Beasley, 138, Los Angeles. Tucson's Gene Bryant 163, won a TKO over LaVerne Williams 160, in three; Leslie Grubb, 160, Mesa, won over Charlie Hall, 162, of Phoenix. The bouts were held at Phoenix Madison Square Garden. The Phoenix gymnasium has been moved from 1310 S. Central to 918 S. Central, Phoenix. That's where this writer can be reached.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS
By Bill McIntyre

PRO HEAVYWEIGHT Buddy Turman, the 'Golden Boy' from Noonday, Tex., is now residing in Shreveport. Turman has built up a 35-8-1 record since 1954, including 24 knockouts, and in his last start he met light heavy king Archie Moore in Manila.

Turman, inactive since the Moore bout last March, is back in serious training for a 'comeback' and he is trying to interest several Shreveport citizens in reviving the pro game.

NEW MEXICO BOXING BEAT
By Jim Cleary

Albuquerque, New Mexico—Civic Auditorium— Al Andrews, one of Arizona's top lightweights from Phoenix, weighing 142, was TKO'ed by Albuquerque's Florencio (Flory) Olguin, also 142. It was a one-sided fight with Olguin the harder puncher and the aggressor. Andrews was stopped in 1:26 seconds of the fourth round in a ten round main event. Olguin is shooting for a twelve rounds state championship bout with the colorful Joey Limas, who, in a previous show KO'ed Santos Soto in the first round.

In the six round semi-final, Lonnie Rufus, 167, San Antonio, Texas, traded blows with hard punching Freddie Garcia, 165, Costilla, New Mexico. Both fighters, swing hard but cautious of the other, fought their way into a crowd-pleasing draw.

Luther Murphy, 186, Denver, Colorado, outpointed Dick Hamlett, 191 of East Orange, New Jersey, in a six round special bout. Murphy was the aggressor. It was a nice crowd pleasing battle.

Billy Nelson, 145, Priest River, Idaho, in his second pro fight, scored a three round KO over Panama "Kid" Henriquez, 147, Panama, in a four rounder. Last month Nelson KO'ed Art Sedillo of Las Vegas, New Mexico, who, at the

time, was undefeated in a New Mexico ring. Nelson is an-up-and-comer, a very promising boxer.

Billy McDonald, 162, Albuquerque, New Mexico, after winning two straight, defeated Andy Maes by disqualification. Maes, 158, Denver, Colorado, refused to cooperate with the referee on foul warnings. He was disqualified in the fourth round of a four round bout after fighting a fairly even match.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST
By Ruggles G. Larson

Tacoma, Washington—George Wright, 162, Tacoma, extended his undefeated record to three, by stopping Vinnie DeCarlo, 160, Seattle, in the second round of a scheduled ten.

Wright floored the transplanted Philadelphian with a right hand in the closing moments of the first. As the second round started, it was a mere formality for George to end the determined DeCarlo's evening.

Bobby Pasqualie, 166, Tacoma, won a close, but unanimous decision over Herb Le Suer, 165, Ft. Lewis, in the six round semi-final.

Results of the four rounders: Frankie Rowe, 183, Seattle, drew with Garland Bridgewater, 177, Ft. Lewis. Luther Thomas, 141, Seattle, won a unaminous decision over Nelville Sapp, 141, Tacoma. Bob Biegler, 184, Tacoma, won a split-decision over Willie Townsend, 216, Seattle.

This Inigo Lucchessi's promotion drew 937 fans, the gross was $2,125.50.

Billings, Montana—George Logan, 201, Boise, Idaho, was declared an eighth round T.K.O. winner over Johnny Riggins, 190, Spokane, after seven rounds of brutal battling.

Veteran Ernie Gipson, 168, Seattle, held promising Tommy Chapman, 165, Boise, to a draw in the six round semi-final.

Results of the four rounders: Gary Chapman, 147, Boise, kayoed Jimmy Gaines, 152, Seattle, in the first. Hal McLean, 149, Great Falls, Montana, Kayoed Don Desjaralis, 150, Edmonton, Ala., in the third. Ruben Olivo, 138, Boise, kayoed Joe Meritt, 140, Seattle, in the third.

CHICAGO BOXING BEAT
By Bill Harris

The Globe Boxing Club, promoted by Joe Kellman with matchmaker Irv Schoenwald, presented its regular semi-monthly Monday night show at the Marigold Arena.

The eight round feature event found welterweight Billy Braggs, 139, of Milwaukee a T.K.O. winner over Kid Casey, 140¼, of Chicago. It was a hard fought battle all the way with Braggs punching more quickly and more often in just about every round. Braggs suffered a sizeable cut over his left eye in the very first round but his handlers did an excellent job of closing it up between rounds and he went on to fight one of his best fights. Between the 7th and 8th rounds Casey's seconds advised the referee that they would not allow the Kid to come out for the 8th round so the referee awarded the bout to Braggs on a T.K.O. in the 8th round.

The semi-windup was a terrific slugfest between the fast-rising welterweight Dick Gilford of Chicago, 147½, a decision winner, over Willie Jones, 149, of St. Louis. This was a rematch which the sensational Gilford won again on a decision in six rounds.

OTHER RESULTS: Marty Feldman, 167, decisioned; Tommy Caldwell, 164,6; Bryan O'Shea, 138, beat Joe Dukes, 139,4; Johnny White, 137, decisioned Jimmy Morton, 136,4.

Chicago's first major boxing card in a very long spell was held at the International Amphitheatre. The ring-wise veteran from Philadelphia, Joey Giardello, 163, showed he still has it in taking a unanimous ten round decision from the classy, hard punching Jesse Smith, 158½, of Chicago. Smith was the aggressor throughout and threw more punches but missed quite a bit and was even seen to shake his head in disgust on a couple of occasions. On the other hand, Giardello was moving and counter punching beautifully, calling on all of his experience to outsharp the determined, hard-punching Smith. This was a close one which many thought could have gone to either fighter or been a draw. There were no knockdowns and no letdowns. Both punched and landed with authority from the opening bell.

In another featured 10 rounder, the fast-rising, knockout artist, Allen Thomas, 162, of Chicago did it again as he won on a TKO in the sixth over Ernie Burford, 155½ of Memphis. Burford was down once in almost every round but came up surprisingly clear headed and fighting furiously each time. When Burford went down for perhaps the 4th or 5th time in the bout in the 6th round, the referee called a halt. This too was a real scrap between two excellent fighters and the 20 year old Allen Thomas certainly looms as something to contend with in the middleweight division.

Sonny Liston very gratiously gave his services on this card without pay to help the gate, as did Ernie Terrell, State of Illinois Heavyweight Champion. The two boxed a four round exhibition with 16 ounce gloves and head gears. Neither really extended himself here but Liston did show what he could do in a couple of spots.

Other Results: Cliff Murkey, 170, of Chicago decisioned Dave Russell, 172, of Atlantic City, 6; George Meaux of Omaha, 152, won on a TKO in the 1st from Bill Kerr, 154, of Memphis. 3,629 was the number of paid customers.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Hottest boxing note in this neck of the woods at the moment is Henry White, Cincinnati welterweight who has made such big strides in rings, other than before hometown folks.

Henry's latest victory was a decision win over former welterweight champion Virgil Akins and right at present manager Tom Tannas has the local welter listed for a Phillie fight with Bob Cofer. Tannas managed Ezzard Charles for a number of years when Ezz was roosted on the heavyweight throne.

It will be no surprise that Cincinnati may come up with a December or early 1962 appearance of White.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

BILL MATNEY, associated with the boxing commission here since 1949, resigned from his post as secretary to accept a position in the editorial department of the Detroit News. At the same time Matney also vacated his post as editor of the Michigan Chronicle, a growing weekly newspaper.

Matney's departure came on the heels of Floyd Stevens resignation as chairman of the commission. Stevens had also served since 1949, and was replaced by Dave Gudelsky, formerly a board member from Muskegon.

If the record of an opponent can be used a measuring stick, then Michigan heavyweight champion Sonny Banks, 195, Detroit, may be well on his way up the fistic ladder. Having gone nine rounds with Tom McNeely, six with Alejandro Lavorante, and the distance with Cassius Clay (a six), Tunney Hunsaker, 197, Fayetteville, W. Va., furnished the opposition for the local slugger in a ten round feature at the Graystone Ballroom.

Banks scored with a pair of thundering left hooks to the chest of Hunsaker in the very first round to take all the fight out of the former police chief. Dropped three times in the second, Hunsaker was automatically prevented from continuing any further. The knockout was the eighth in eleven starts for Banks who now has been victorious nine times.

An eight round semi-final paired John Powell, 152, Detroit, and veteran Aman Peck, 153, Tampa, Fla. Powell making his first local start in a year, earned a unanimous decision for his sixteenth victory in twenty starts. The bout was earnestly contested although not sensational.

The show stealer was a six rounder between Hurricane Bullock, 163, Detroit, and Sam Poe, 165, Detroit. Both battlers stood toe-to-toe throughout the bout without a let up, thrilling the crowd no end. The decision was close, but unanimously in favor of Bullock.

Another six found Bobby Bell, 146, Detroit, gaining a close split decision over Jack Hollaway, 146, Detroit, in a bruising battle. In the opener, George Zapp, 143, Detroit, and King David Merritt, 139, Detroit, fought to a tremendous draw in the opening four that was crammed full of action from start to finish.

Across the river from Port Huron, Michigan, boxing enthusiast Fred Stevens presented the second show of his current series at Saria, Ontario, featuring veteran Detroit heavyweight Jackie Richards and Norm Geddis in an eight rounder. The meeting between Richards and Geddis was their third in four months, with the result being the same each time, a decision in favor of the potato chip salesman Richards.

Dave Shade, 142, Detroit, (better known as Jesse Underwood), a veteran of over 200 fights dropped a four round decision to Wesley Kidd, 140, Port Huron. The bout was Kidd's fourth professional start and his second win. Taylor (The Hawk) Hill, 158, Detroit, scored his second straight win over Melvin Beach, 156, Port Huron, in as many starts, but this time by KO in the third. Al Rocco Quinney, 150, Buffalo, New York, outpointed Willis Coleman, 157, Port Huron, in a four.

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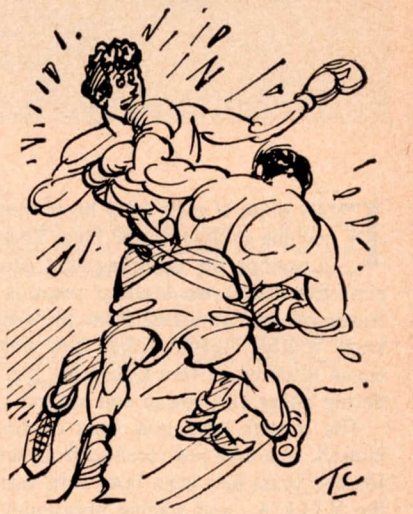


IN *"MICKEY WALKER, the Toy Bulldog and His Times"*, by Mickey as told to Joe Reichler, (Random House—$4.95), the sentimental career of one of the best ringmen of recent years, is vididly portrayed. The story of his first professional fight is only the beginning of a series of stories that holds the interest of the reader.

Bootlegging, rum-running and pugilism, were closely allied in the days when Walker was at the helm as welterweight king. In those days the big business men were the powerful group who defied Uncle Sam and brought the hooch to thirsty customers. They also were kingpins in the boxing racket.

Walker knew them well. He worked for them. He helped Bill Dwyer, Bill Duffy and other members of the bootleg ring "fix" the police of New Jersey where Mickey lived, so that the liquor could be run through from the shore to Newark without molestation from the law enforcement agencies. Millionaires rubbed shoulders with racketeers at Walker's Rumson, New Jersey, training camp. They were the sporting crowd as in the days of the bare knuckle fights both in America and in England.

While Al Capone was boss of the racketeers in the Mid-West, Owney Madden, Bill Dwyer, Bill Duffy, Pete Reilly, Vannie Higgins, Vincent Coll among many others of their ilk, controlled the bootleg traffic in the East and Walker's book brings to light stirring tales of their adventures. They held a firmer grip on the liquor traffic than Frankie Carbo had on boxing.

By JERSEY JONES

Too Dangerous for Dare-Devil

FOR quite a spell we'd been wondering why things had become so quiet in the New York sock market. It wasn't altogether the declining ring activity. It was something else. Eventually we realized what it was. Bustling Sammy Aaronson had vanished from the scene. Nobody seemed to know whither Aaronson had hied himself. Gradually reports began filtering in from California that Sammy had been seen flitting hither and yon in and around Los Angeles.

The reports have now been confirmed, and by Aaronson himself. In a note just received from him, Sammy explains that for two years he's been busy with various youth activities for the Y.M.C.A., and staging occasional amateur fight cards in Los Angeles and Long Beach.

Thinking of the ubiquitous Aaronson, we recalled the time Sammy was operating out of an office in a Broadway building tenanted mostly by theatrical agents.

One afternoon Jimmy August, the fight trainer, was on his way to see Aaronson. In the building's lobby he was approached by a chap looking for an agent to handle his act.

"I don't know anything about show business," Jimmy confessed, "but I'm on my way to see a fellow who knows everybody in the building. He may be able to help you."

August escorted the caller to Aaronson's office and explained the situation to Sammy.

"What sort of an act do you have?" Aaronson asked.

"Dare-devil stunts," said the visitor. "I ride a motorcycle through flaming hoops, crash into brick walls and stuff like that."

Aaronson became excited. Already he was envisioning headlines and picture layouts in the newspapers. "Dare-Devil Becomes Boxer!" Boy, oh, boy, what a publicity stunt! Here was a million-dollar promotion.

Hastily, Aaronson rummaged through his desk and came up with a fistful of papers.

"Here, sign these," he said, as he pushed the papers toward his visitor.

"What are they?" the dare-devil asked.

"Contracts," explained Sammy. "I'm going to make a fighter out of you."

Horror swept across the visitor's features, and as he backed hurriedly toward the door, he screeched:

"A fighter? What are you trying to do, *get me killed?*"

ANENT WILLIE JACKSON.

One of the most exciting "club-fighters" the ring has ever produced was counted out recently in a Brooklyn hospital. He was Willie Jackson, 64, a lightweight headliner during the late 1910s and early '20s.

Born Oscar Tobler, and a native of New York's Harlem district, Jackson was 16 when he began fighting as a bantamweight in 1913. By the time he scored that startling one-round knockout of the great Johnny Dundee in Philadelphia in January, 1917, he had grown into a 130-pounder. He was managed by Frank (Doc) Bagley.

Until the Dundee episode, Jackson was a fast, clever, light-hitting boxer. That sensational win changed almost overnight into an aggressive, savage-punching slugger and a popular attraction from one end of the United States to the other. In six years he crowded in a total of 101 bouts. He and Dundee tangled no less than ten times after that Philadelphia affair. Willie was never able to repeat that stunning performance, but every fight was a real "war" and there wasn't much to choose between the rivals at the finish of the series. Four of the bouts were held in New York, and others in New Haven, Jersey City (twice), Newark, Milwaukee and Boston.

The only top lightweight Jackson had no desire to meet was the champion, Benny Leonard. After boxing Leonard in a four-round exhibition on a charity card in old Madison Square Garden, Willie was frank to admit that Benny was too good for him. Otherwise, Jackson didn't dodge any of the ranking 135-pounders. Some of them he met not once but often. The list included Lew Tendler, Rocky Kansas, Charley White, Richie Mitchell, Irish Patsy Cline, Pete Hartley, Frankie Schoell and Pal Moran.

There was no such thing as a "soft" fight for Jackson. With his aggressive slugging, he made them all tough. Eventually, the wear and tear of his rugged career caught up to him and he quit the ring after Johnny Shugrue, one of Joe's younger brothers, stopped him in ten rounds in Jersey City in December, 1922. In recent years Willie had been a salesman for a New York paper and twine dealer.

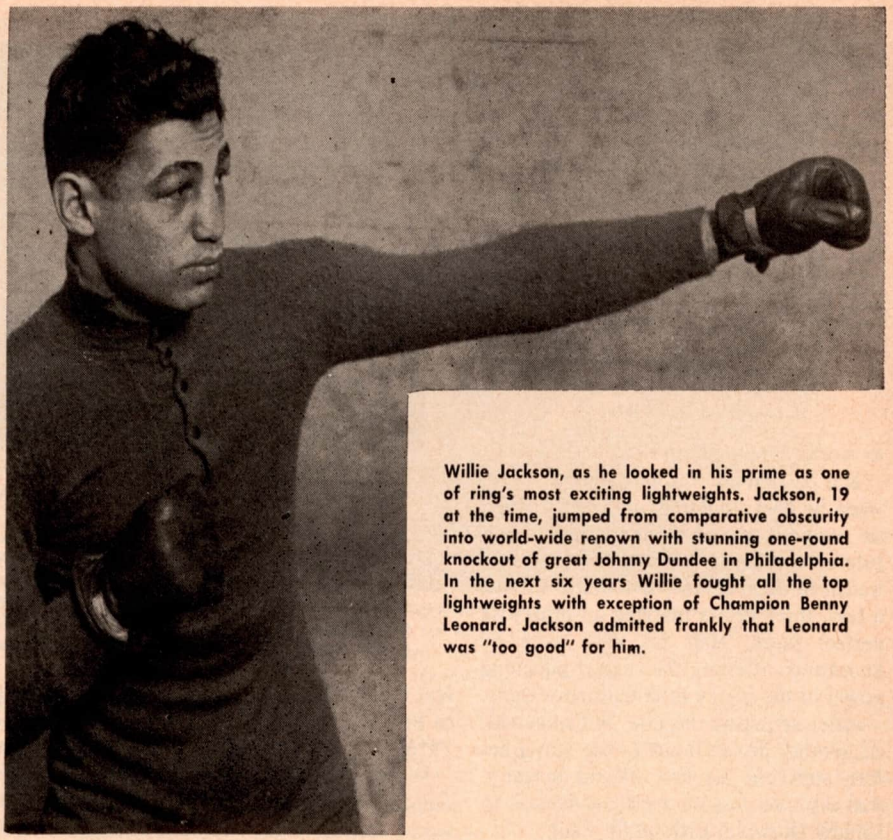
THESE AND THOSE.

Of the score or so promoters whose clubs have become links in Madison Square Garden's expanding "farm" chain, there are two this writer can heartily endorse. They are Lou Thomas of San Francisco and Inigo Lucchesi of the Tacoma-Seattle area. We've had experiences with both. They're real hustlers and know the fight business thoroughly. Despite generally discouraging conditions in the sock market these days, both Thomas and Lucchesi have been making gallant efforts to keep ring activity moving steadily in their respective communities.

Next to Boston's Sam Silverman, probably the most prolific promoter in the Garden system is Don Elbaum of Erie. With his home town as his main base, Elbaum has been operating in a half-dozen towns in Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, as well as a couple of spots in Canada. It's mainly small-time stuff, but to coin a phrase, it's from the tiny acorns that the big oaks eventually grow.

Note from Lee Sloan of the Midwest Boxing Club in Omaha: "I don't need any outside help to revive Omaha as a major boxing center. Of the ten shows I've staged this year, only two have been losers. Eight winners in ten is a pretty fair average these days, eh?"

The passing of Anthony J. Drexel-Biddle recalls the time the Gene Tunney influence inspired a crowd of millionaire socialites and Wall Street operatives to sponsor fighters. It was during the '20s. Biddle, of the noted Philadelphia clan, paid Lew Burston $25,000 for half interest in Belgian middleweight Rene Devos, then turned his half over to Jimmy Bronson to look after.



Willie Jackson, as he looked in his prime as one of ring's most exciting lightweights. Jackson, 19 at the time, jumped from comparative obscurity into world-wide renown with stunning one-round knockout of great Johnny Dundee in Philadelphia. In the next six years Willie fought all the top lightweights with exception of Champion Benny Leonard. Jackson admitted frankly that Leonard was "too good" for him.

NEW YORK RESULTS OF THE MONTH:

Matchmaker Teddy Brenner's latest importation from South America, Argentine middleweight champion Farid Salim, 160¾, got off to a good start in his North American invasion by taking a unanimous decision from Ted Wright, 156¾, Detroit, in a fast-moving ten in Madison Square Garden. The rangy (6 feet, 1 inch) Argentine Syrian had too much speed and too many physical advantages for Wright, who spotted him some four inches in height and the same in reach, as well as four pounds in weight.

Considering that passport difficulties had delayed his arrival until four days before the bout, Farim's performance was an impressive one. With two fast hands and a good variety of punches, the visitor mixed his attacks well to the head and body, and set such a lively pace that Wright had difficulty keeping up with him. The Detroiter fought back stubbornly, however, and at times scored well with left jabs and right counters to the head and left hooks to the body.

Referee Arthur Mercante and Judge Leo Bidnbaum came up with the same 6-3-1 scores for Farim, while the other judge, Joe Agnello, had the margin 7-3 for the South American.

Repeating his St. Nicholas Arena victory of a month before, Joey Donovan, 137, Astoria, huffed, puffed and mauled his way to a big early lead, then staved off his opponent's closing rush to win from Gil Diaz, 141, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final ten.

Knockouts ended all three preliminaries, Oron Johnson, 216, Harlem, halting Jimmy Blythe, 208½, Hartford, Conn., in the first; Joe Louis Adair, 160, Wichita, Kan., finishing Erwin Smith, 158½, Detroit, in the second, and Dick Turner, 150, Philadelphia, polishing off Walter Daniels, 147, Brooklyn, in the fifth.

Attendance was estimated at 1,400 and gross recepits about $3,600.

Still without a TV deal, the St. Nicholas Arena reopened for boxing after a three-weeks' "vacation"—the building had been taken over by a religious revival program—and a turnout of 1,242 contributed gross receipts of $2,890 for a show offering three eights and a pair of fours. Although the card itself was comparatively inexpensive, the heavy "overhead" was too much to overcome, and it was estimated that the club absorbed at least another $1,000 loss with the show. Without television revenue, and depending entirely on box-office business, the St. Nick cards must average from $4,000 to $5,000 to break even.

In the windup spot of the reopening program, pudgy Tony Hughes, 202½, unbeaten Clevelander, posted his 22nd win by edging out a split and unpopular 2-1 decision over Rodolfo Diaz, 181½, Argentina. Most of the witnesses felt that Diaz, with aggressiveness and sharper punching, should have been declared winner. The Argentino accounted for the only knockdown when he tipped the heavier Hughes over with a right to the chin in the second. The Clevelander didn't appear to be hurt and was up immediately, but had to take the mandatory eight-count. That was the only near-thrill of the bout which, for the most part, was a tugging and hauling affair.

Former amateur star Vince Shomo, 148, Harlem, was a winner over Roger Harvey, 145½, Bermuda, in the semi-final eight. It was fairly even until the fourth round when Harvey suffered a nasty gash over his left eye, and was too cautious from then on. In the first eight, Benny Cordon, 134¾, Bronx, drew with Carlos Quiles, 139, Puerto Rico. In the fours, Dave Miller, 150¼, Hempstead, whipped Jackie Aldare, 150¾, Bronx, and Johnny McGowan, 146½, Astoria, won from Miguel Martinez, 143, Puerto Rico.

Finding the opposition considerably tougher than had been expected, Obdulio Nunez, 159½, Puerto Rico, had to hustle all the way to win from Willie Smith, 152, Philadelphia, in a lively ten at St. Nicholas Arena.

It was the first time Smith had travelled the ten-round route—eight had been his longest previous effort—and he tired badly in the closing cantos. Until then, however, he made things decidedly interesting for the heavier, more experienced Nunez. A willing mixer, he frequently stood toe-to-toe with the Puerto Rican in exciting exchanges. Nunez's weight and strength eventually proved too much for him. He had a rough session in the eighth, when Nunez staggered him with a lusty right to the chin. Smith didn't go down but he was in trouble the rest of the round. He also was shaken shortly before the final bell.

Both boys were nicked above their left eyes during a fast swapfest in the fifth, but the damage wasn't serious.

The semi-final, listed for six, ended at 1:24 of the second, Billy Bello, 150½, Bronx, disposing of Danny Garcia, 149, Dominican Republic. Claude Chapman, 192, Bronx, was too experienced for Obadiah Rhodes, 198, Harlem, in another six. In fours, Lenny Mangiapane, 148, Corona, won from Guillermo Talavera, 145, Puerto Rico, and Jimmy Dupree, 171, Harlem, had the better of Clarence Ryan, 167, Newark, N.J.

The non-TV'd card was another financial loser for the arena. The attendance was 1,452 and the gross receipts of $2,979 fell about $1,200 short of covering the night's operating expenses.

The "young talent" heavyweight card staged by Madison Square Garden failed to uncover anything that, at the moment, threatened to become a serious future contender for the world title. It was a very ordinary assortment of hopefuls appearing in the three tens.

Although it marked his 28th consecutive victory as a professional, Tony Alongi, 195, native of Passaic, N.J., but now billing himself out of Hollywood, Fla., was anything but impressive in taking a decision from awkwardly aggressive George Logan, 204, Boise, Idaho, in the TV number. The lanky (6'-3") Alongi made good use of his height and reach in the early rounds but tired during the closing sessions and was guilty of too much clutching.

Another winning streak remained intact when Billy Daniels, 189, Ozone Park, L.I., won from Jefferson Davis, 188½, Las Vegas, Nev., in the middle ten. It was a slow, uneventful affair, with neither rival displaying much initiative. It was Daniel's 14th straight win but nothing to get excited about.

Chunky Tony Hughes, 199, Cleveland, also added to his unbeaten string when he outmauled substitute Claude Chapman, 189, Boston, in the first ten. Chapman was hauled into service when Hughes' original opponent, Rodolfo Diaz of Cuba, reported ill at weighing-in. It was Hughes 23rd win but his performance was a dreary one.

The lusty punching lacking in the triple windup was supplied in the preliminaries, both of which had first-round endings. Oron Johnson, 206, Harlem, needed only 1:35 to finish Joe Thomas, 189, Elizabeth, N.J., and Bob Fong Wong, 160, Danvers, Mass., was even faster in disposing of Don Bale, 161, a stablemate of Logan's from Boise. The bout was over in 1:18.

A better than normal turnout estimated at 3,500 contributed gross receipts of about $6,400.

It probably was only fitting and proper that the St. Nicholas Arena, where he began his sensational rise to the fistic heights in 1954, should have been the scene of Rory Calhoun's fadeout as a headliner.

The White Plains veteran, fighting as a light-heavy at 171¼, lasted less than two full rounds against the Cuban, Lino Rendon, 169. A whistling right dropped him in the first session, and another right dumped him again in the second. He was wobbling unsteadily on the ropes, with Rendon blasting away at him, when Referee Teddy Martin called a halt at the round's 2:38 mark.

Calhoun showed one brief flash of his former punching power. In the first round his lusty right to the heart sent Rendon to the canvas. He was up immediately, however, and the referee ruled it a slip.

Also in the first round both rivals were cut over their left eyes in a head-on collision. Calhoun's gash was the worse, and it bled profusely.

A pair of scheduled sixes ended in knockouts, Tony Fortunato, 153½, Bronx, polishing off Nicky Dallava, 151¼, Astoria, at 1:42 of the first, and Frankie Narvarez, 134, Puerto Rico, finishing Ray Wallace, 135, Brooklyn, at 2:56 of the fifth. In fours, Pablo Acevedo, 126, Puerto Rico, decisioned a fellow-islander, Ramon Moran, 122, and George Briggs, 144, Brooklyn, won from Jackie Aldare, 147, Bronx.

The club blew probably another $1,200 when 1,049 customers contributed a disappointing total of $2,284 to the box-office.

The Hollywood crowd filming "Requiem For A Heavyweight" in New York could have had a REAL-life, instead of a REEL-life, portrayal by ambling out to the Long Island Arena in Commack for the finish of Alex Miteff's career.

Fading rapidly for a year (he had been stopped in three of his last four previous starts), the burly Argentino, 213, reached a dismal end of the trail when he was halted by a preliminary kid, Ray Batey, 189½, Elmhurst, L. I., at 1:30 of the fourth.

Miteff wasn't knocked out, but when Referee Johnny Colan called a halt he was gushing blood from a badly gashed left eyebrow, the result of three successive rights by Batey.

Adding to the forlorn occasion, it was the poorest payoff Miteff had known since his early preliminary days six years before. His percentage of the $1,024 net receipts amounted to $230.40.

It was only the ninth bout in Batey's limited

career, and his first in a year and a half. Of his previous eight efforts, he had won five, drawn one and lost two.

The card was the first staged by Promoter Jimmy O'Rourke since tying up with Madison Square Garden's "farm" system. Even with the Garden's $250 subsidy, the show must have lost at least $600.

With Batey winning the main event, Long Islanders had a perfect score for the night. Four others won in preliminaries. In sixes, Les McFadden, 142, Glen Cove, decisioned Julie Jamison, 146, Wappinger Falls, and Jay Roach, 141, Plainview, won from Billy Robinson, 139, Harlem. In fours, Tommy Settles, 158, Long Island City, outfought Eddie Scurlock, 155, Bronx, and Davey Ross, 130, Elmhurst, topped Eddie Martinez, 128, Puerto Rico.

THE WINNING TOUCH

(Continued from page 27)

to world championships.

Kid Williams' was one. From 1910, when he began fighting, until 1914, when he wrested the bantam laurels from Johnny Coulon in Vernon, Cal., the Kid waded through seventy-five bouts without a loss, three draws marring an otherwise perfect score. Half his wins were by knockouts, attesting the rugged punching power of the stocky little Baltimore Dane.

After acquiring the title, Williams added another fifteen bouts to the string before suffering his first official defeat—that disputed loss on a disqualification to Johnny (Kewpie) Ertle in St. Paul.

Following that incident, the Kid swept through sixteen more bouts without defeat before he lost a decision and the title to Pete Herman in New Orleans early in 1916.

Willie Pep authored two remarkable non-losing chapters on his way to the world featherweight title and during his first tenure of office as champion. When he trounced Chalky Wright in Madison Square Garden in 1942 for one-half of the then disputed championship, Willie had gone through fifty-four bouts in three years of undefeated competition. He added another eight wins — for a total of sixty-two in succession—before suffering his first setback, a decision lost to lightweight Sammy Angott in the Garden.

Resuming his winning ways, Pep promptly inaugurated an even longer streak than the previous one. With time out for brief stretches of service in the Navy and the Army, and another spell when he was laid up with injuries suffered in a 'plane crash, Willie was unbeaten in five years and seventy-three bouts, one draw representing his only non-winning effort. During that span, Willie grabbed the other half of the disputed featherweight title by beating Sal Bartolo in Boston, and defended his world laurels against Wright and Bartolo in return bouts in New York, as well as against Phil Terranova in New York and Humberto Sierra in Miami.

Until he was knocked out in New York in 1948 by Sandy Saddler in the first episode of their four-bout series for the title, Pep had compiled an amazing record of only one defeat and one draw in 135 outings!

Al Thompson Gene Tunney Jersey Jones

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MARYLANDS MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

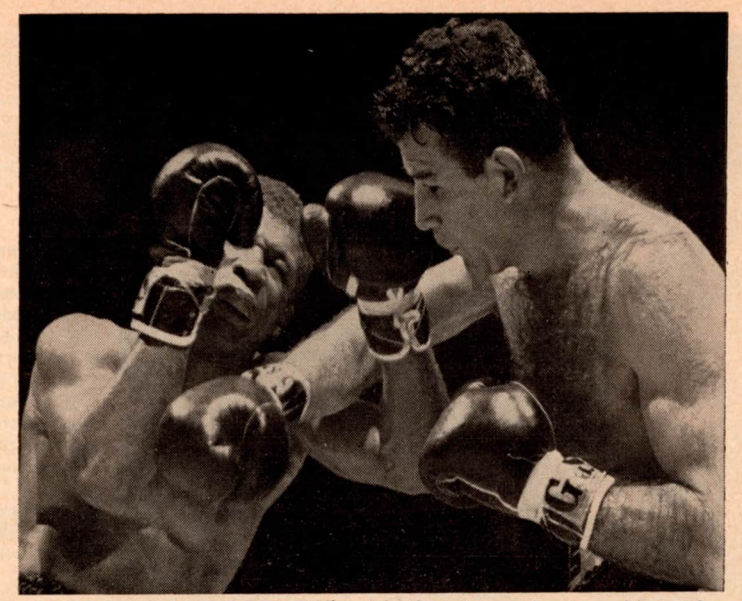
Once again Baltimore fight fans have proved they will turn out to see a boxing attraction featuring name fighters, for 3,869 of them contributed $12,116 to see world light heavyweight champion Archie Moore of San Diego, Cal. stop Pete Rademacher of Columbus, Ga. in six rounds at the Baltimore Coliseum. Old Archie looked very flabby at 198 pounds and waddling like a duck, smacked a svelte looking Rademacher, 192, all over the Coliseum ring. Moore scored eight knockdowns before referee Benny Goldstein stopped the massacre. Ancient Archie duplicated Floyd Patterson's effort against Pete by ending it in the sixth. If Pete had half the ability that he has guts, he would easily qualify as a top fighter.

Holly Mims, 161½, scored a ten round unanimous decision over Al Avant, 160, of Philadelphia, in the semi-final. The veteran Washington, D.C. battler had his hands full with a determined youngster. This was Mims' six straight victory since starting his comeback.

Sweetcakes Brown Lee, 137, of Harrisburg, finally won a bout hereabouts, gaining a split duke over Steve Hayward, 132, of Baltimore.

Two of Archie Moore's protege's gained wins in tough bouts that could have gone either way. Cleo Elloby, 128, Oakland, Cal., won a four rounder from Baltimore's Jerry Brewer, who came in at 133 and Charley Shipes of San Diego, Cal. scaling 145, won a five round decision over Bobby Hurtt who weighed in at the same poundage.

Julius Dickens, 185 lb. of Washington, D.C. scored four knockdowns and a second round TKO over Willie Jackson, 205, of Harrisburg, Pa.



Farid Salim, (right) Argentine middleweight champion, made an auspicious U.S. debut by winning a unanimous ten round decision over welter Ted Wright of Detroit in Madison Square Garden. The tall rangy South American displayed a talented left jab and superb all around ring generalship.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

The bi-weekly boxing shows at the State Gardens in Union City continue to provide plenty of action for the fans although last month's first card between localite Sammy Jordan and Dave Russell of Uniondale, L.I. was not an exciting fight. However, the fine undercard saved the show.

Jordan, 165, scored a stunning last round kayo over Russell a few months ago, but this time, Sammy did little against his 172-pound foe. Only in the sixth, when he stunned Dave, did Jordan do damage. Referee Joey Harrison scored it 6-2 for the winner.

The crowd gave a warm hand to ex-welterweight champion Emile Griffith, who sparred three fast rounds with Frank Sallee of Cleveland.

The semi-final was a slugfest in which Kostos Orfanakos, 158½, Greece, earned the nod over Felix Santiago, 156, Puerto Rico. The winner had his game foe in trouble a few times but was unable to finish him.

In the fours, all action-packed, George Briggs, 141, Brooklyn, outboxed Neil Pacilio, 149, Bayonne, Buzz-saw Henny Hurley, 129, Jersey City, used his left to advantage in beating Davey Ross, 130, Jamaica, L.I., and Nick Zidis, 134, Greece, made his pro debut with a win over Herb Bynum, 138, Paterson.

The next show at State Gardens was one of the best of the season. All six bouts were humdingers. In the main event, Frankie Sallee, 150, Cleveland, O., floored Ricky Ortiz, 150, Puerto Rico, for an eight count in the first and had him on the deck at the end of the sixth. Between the knockdowns it was a war. Sallee snapped Ortiz's seven bout winning streak. Referee Paul Cavalier scored it 6 to 2.

Tough Tony Tozzo, 130, Bronx, floored Jersey City's Henny Hurley, 128½, three times in the fourth round causing Referee Allie Todisco to step in at 2:45.

In fours, Bayonne's Neil Pacilio, 149, and Puerto Rico's Miguel Martinez, 145, slugged to a draw. Neil won the first two and Miguel the last two.

New Brunswick's fighting Greek, Nick Zidis, 132, stopped Herb Bynum, 133, Paterson, in the second; Brick Mason, 176, Paterson, halted Alex Tischenko, 178, Bronx, 3, and in a wild one, Willie Jackson, 192, Newark, stopped Don Hobson, 190, Cleveland, O., with only five seconds left in the last round.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

BOSTON Arena—Joe DeNucci, 166½, Newton, stopped veteran Gene Hamilton, 165½, New York, in the sixth round with a solid right to the body. DeNucci held the upperhand from the start and bounced right hand after right hand off Hamilton's head with no visible effect.

Mike Pusateri, 174, Dedham, gave notice as a fighter to watch as he stiffened Sherman Dodds, 178, Roxbury, in the third round. Pusateri racked up his seventh straight win.

Paul Stivaletta, 150, Dedham, another youngster with a bright future used less than a round to dispose of Tony Ford, 144, New York. It was Stivaletta's 16th straight triumph. Ted Williams, 175, Roxbury, impressed in his pro debut by stopping Jim Plummer, 172½, New York, in the first heat. Ronnie DeCost, 115, Brockton, punched out a four round decision over Bill Codiero, 114, Somerville.

WORCESTER—Mechanic's Hall—Bob Fosmire, 144½, East Boston, garnered his 10th straight win with a ten round decision over Gaylord Barnes, 149½, New York. Barnes, the more experienced fighter, made things interesting for Fosmire but seemed unable to fathom Fosmire's southpaw style. The decision favoring Fosmire was unanimous.

Paddy Read, 133, Providence, halted Wilfredo Alvares, 135, New York, in the first round of the six round semi-final. Kevin Scott, 155½, Corona, N.Y., gained a six round decision over Levon Bowdry, 154½, Roxbury, in a hotly contested bout. Paul Christie, 147, Arlington, belted out Claude Romero, 144, New York, in the first stanza.

BOSTON Arena—Joe DeNucci, 165, Newton, showed a lot of improvement over his last outing by stopping Don Bale, 160, Boise, Ida., in the fourth round. DeNucci took command at the start stabbing Bale with his left and landing frequently with rights. In the third, a sweeping right, cut Bale over the left eye. At the end of the round the ringside physician called a halt.

Paul Stivaletta, 149, Dedham, belted Johnny Cobb, 155, New York, around so freely that he was unable to come out for the third round. Mike Pusateri, 171, Dedham, stopped Dennis Goslow, 166, Worcester, in the third round. Ronnie DeCost, 112, Brockton, gained a four round decision over Willie Martin, 119, Boston. George Briggs, 143, Boston, stiffened Bob ..illo, 147, Jamaica Plain, in the second round.

WORCESTER—Mechanic's Hall—Yama Bahama, British West Indies middleweight, enjoyed a ten round workout with Gaylord Barnes of New York. Bahama took each of the rounds with the exception of the fifth on one of the official's cards.

Ronnie DeCost. 111, Brockton, garnered his 13th straight win with a six round decision over Carlos Zayas, 113, Holyoke. Willie Martin, 128, Providence, outpointed Hughie O'Rourke, 134, Worcester, in a four rounder. Bill McGrath, 182, Millbury, belted out fellow townsman, Dick Hutchins, 182, in the fourth heat. Tom Brown, 152, New York, flattened Lou Raposa, 158, Providence, in the first of the opener.

WORCESTER—Mechanic's Hall—Gene Fosmire, 131, Revere, used his advantage in experience to pound out a clear cut eight round decision over Nat (Kid) Williams, 127, Philadelphia, who suffered his first pro defeat after ten victories. After a slow start, Fosmire got rolling by the fourth round and the former Golden Glover was never again in the picture.

Ronnie DeCost, 111, Brockton, racked up another by halting Larry Silva, 115, Roxbury, in the third round of the semi-windlp. Billy McGrath, 181, Millbury, came off the floor twice to stop Joe Hill, 174, Boston, in the final heat of a four. Tommy Thibeault, 140, Somerville, knocked out Hughie O'Rourke, 136, Worcester, in the second round. Baker Boy Reeves, 132, Grafton, tko'd Charley Witherspoon, 126, Roxbury, in the fourth round.

PROVIDENCE — R. I. Auditorium — Gaylord Barnes, 149½, New York, handed Kenny Tavares, 143½, New Bedford, a setback by taking the decision after ten very interesting rounds. Barnes fought a sustained attack mostly with looping punches.

Don Prout, 188½, Providence, and Clay Thomas, 181, New York, waged a savage battle in the eight round semi-final, with Prout getting the decision on the basis of his superior boxing. Paul Tyes, 170, New York, outlasted Ted Williams, 171, Boston, in a pleasing six rounder. Tommy Thibeault, 139, Somerville, eked out a close four round decision in a wild melee with Al Salzillo, 134, Providence.

REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Joe DeNucci, 165, Newton, scored his third knockout of the month by icing Kenny Shea, 160, Dartmouth, N.S. in the second round. Joe got off to an early lead taking the first round with a body attack. In the second, DeNucci suddenly chipped a left hook to the jaw followed by a solid right. Shea sank to the canvas to be counted out.

Ronnie DeCost, 112, Brockton, was equally as impressive in flattening Billy Codiero, 114, Somerville, in the first round with a left hook. Jimmy Connors, 131½, New Bedford, stopped Richie Grassley, 131½, Rehoboth, in the seventh round. Rocky DiSiglio, 145, Newton, quickly disposed of Donald Mendes, 141, Boston, in 1:50 of the first. The card was abbreviated. One bout was cancelled so the faithful fans saw only 25 minutes, 21 seconds of ring action.

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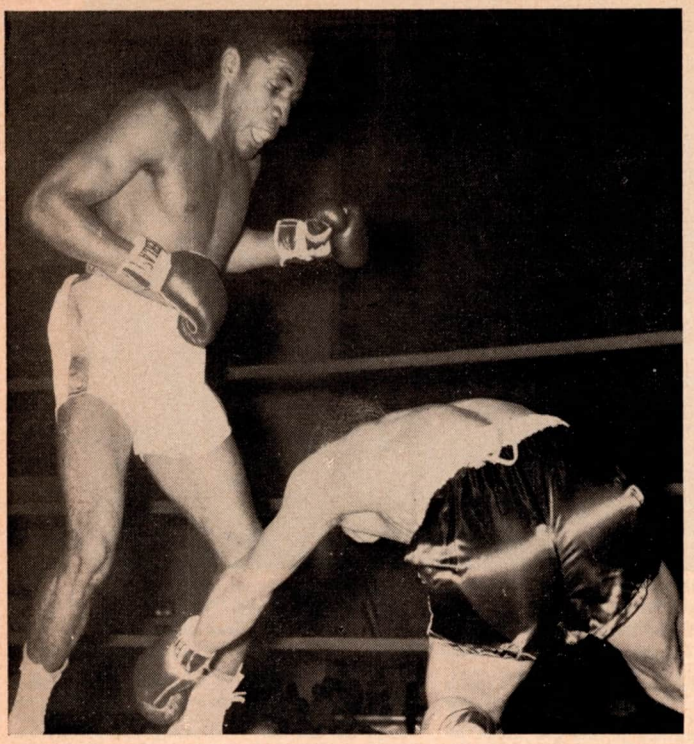

Top ranking welterweight Luis Rodriguez of Cuba stands over Puerto Rican middleweight Joe Gonzales in the fifth round of their bout at Miami Beach. Joe got up but was stopped in the seventh round due to bad cuts around both eyes.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

WITH HEAVIEST OF HEARTS, I ANNOUNCE THE PASSING OF MY BELOVED MOTHER. Through your letters and photos, she knew you all. Born in Beirut, Lebanon, as was Dad, she spoke little English but no one could have been more American. Her proudest moments came when naturalized and later releasing her five sons to Uncle Sam during World War II. Mother became interested in boxing after THE RING MAGAZINE made me its Southern correspondent 23 years ago. My late, beloved brother Vic was columnist on Service Boxing for this publication until killed on the field in France. Rest Well With Dear God In Heaven, Mother.

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▸ There is an axiom, "The Pen Is Mightier Than The Sword" that fits the shoe in Jacksonville and the wielder is Sports Editor Jack Hairston, of the Jacksonville Journal. His all-out assault on Co-Promoters Chris Dundee and Jimmy Murdock for their main-event selection of Willie Pastrano, one of RING MAGAZINE's ranking light-heavyweights against unknown Guillermo (Willie) Dutschmann, of Argentina, was enough to cause Murdock to retire from the promotional field, and have Dundee cancel the show.

Personally, I believe Chris erred in his judgment in placing Dutschmann at this time. Jacksonville will not pay to see someone they haven't an inkling on. The Argentine fighter had three fights to date in USA, two semi-finals and one main event. He won all. However, you can't sell Dutschmann to Jacksonville and the interest wasn't there. The Jacksonville Boxing Commission should have learned more about Guillermo before okaying the match. The blame lies mainly there. More yet, Dundee should have known better to offer this as a starter here.

Luis Rodriguez is undefeated in Miami Beach. He rolled number eight with a TKO in seven rounds over Joe (or Jose) Gonzales, of New York and Puerto Rico and took every round from his game but outclassed foe. Cuts over both eyes brought the main event to an end with Referee Jimmy Peerless taking the cue from the Miami Beach Boxing Commission medico.

Rodriguez was heaviest ever, at 152, and Gonzales, 156. The Boxing Commission reversed Referee Mike Kaplan's fourth round TKO for Ray Camacho over Nick Nichols, and called it a "no contest". Kaplan believed Nichols was taking too much punishment from head shots.

Some boxing commissions sicken the boxing game. I wonder if the MB body knows when to apply "No Contest"!

Cordell Rolle, 150, one of the better prelim boys around, won over Joe Jones, 160½, in four. Bobby Brown, 124, another likely looker, won his four from Joey Arocho, 124. Earl Basting, 152, scored a fifth round TKO over Harry Belafonte, 152.

(This is a correction from Angelo Dundee. The newspaper result had it the other way around, Belafonte over Basting. Thanks, Angelo.)

▸ On the same night as the card above, another show was staged in Miami City's Cutler Ridge, with Al Nettlow, former welterweight contender, at the promotional helm. This card featured Emil Garcia landing well to split decision Grady McLendon in the eight rounder. Garcia at 124½ and his opponent a pound heavier. Sammy Mackey, 124, took the six semi from Carmello Accevedo, 126.

Allan Harmon and Freddie Blades will have to go at it again for either to gain the edge in their two-bout duel. Blades was sharp enough to outscore the Jamaican at Kingston but on November 1, at Miami Beach, the Islander evened things with a 10 round split decision. They are lightheavies.

Another ten rounder, between Robinson Garcia and Jimmy Mackey provided continuous action. Garcia was the winner. Ray Camacho and Nick Nichols, returned to the ring after their so-called "no contest" bout the week prior and there was no question this time about a victor. It was Camacho in six.

Vince Bonomo took a tenner from Henry Ferguson in a fight that was well worth the price of admission alone. This one the crowd ate up. Mike Kaplan was in referee togs for the Garcia-Mackey tilt and the other three refs likewise contributed to good work as officials. Chris Dundee promoted.

▸ Al Taylor, 158, Nassau, won an eight round decision over Joe Moss, 160, Perrine, at the Little River Club in Miami. There was little action. John Tombley, 145, upset Duane Simpson, 140, of Opalocka, in the six-semi and ropped the loser twice in the second round for good measure. Orville Buchner, 148, Miami, won a four from Mario Vega, 150, Miami.

Dock Pospisil, 143, Miami, TKOed Barry Selph, 140, Michigan, while Ray Camacho, 135, Puerto Rico, gained a split decision in four with Grady McLendon. Nick Composto promoted and Dick Lee served as matchmaker.

▸ Jimmy Mackey and Rocky Randell gave the fans at the Sir John Arena one terrific fight. With Mackey's better showing in the late rounds earning for him the eight rounder. Had Rocky been in better condition, no doubt he could have earned a draw. Matchmaker Dick Lee, has a rematch on mind. The Sir John Arena is in Miami.

Jimmy Vaughn, 148½, kayoed Willie Finney, 150, in the third chapter. Carmelo Accevedo, 126, bested Roosevelt Stringer, 125, in four. Jimmy Robinson, 174, scored in four over Tiger Flowers, 177½. William Buller, 138, took a four from Barry Barefoot, 140. Sam Rabin promoted.

▸ They should make Andy Mayfield, 161, call it quits. Again, Mayfield lost. His victor was Joe Moss, 162, in eight rounds. They put up a very good fight but Andy suffered cuts over his eyes. Jimmy Hightower, 126, won the semi-final, a sixer, from Bill Ragen, 125.

Willie James, 148, kayoed Lee Raming, 150, in the opening round. Al Nettlow promoted this show at Cutler Ridge, October 17th. In other bouts, Jim Robinson, 168, kayoed Tom Cox, 169, in one. Sammy Mackey ,122, kayoed Jack Stringer, in three.

▸ Willie Finney, 152, stopped Herby Williams, 153½, in the fourth round, after giving Williams a beating and opening a cut under his right eye. Williams was never in the running.

Rocky Randell fell before the fists of Tommy Schaffer in the main event at Little River. Schaffer, 138, Pittsburgh, is a fine prospect. He had Rocky in bad shape several times. Randell, of Columbus, Georgia, weighed 139¾.

Frank Patterson, 154½, took another uneven match, a TKO in three over Tommy Lee, 155. Bobby Brown, 122, won a split four from Miguel Cruz. Carmelo Accevedo, 124, won in four from Nino Marti, 128.

Herb Siler shoved into second gear in the third round and finally all the way to register a TKO in the sixth when the referee figured Willie Gulatt, 217, Miami, had enough punishment for the evening. The winner, also a Miamian, weighed 194. He scored a knockdown before the end came.

Emil Garcia, 120, Puerto Rico, and Carmelo Accevedo, 124, same, ended all-even after six rounds.

Orville Buckner, 143, Miami, stopped Ronnie Bridges, 145, same city, in two. Fred Baldwin, won a four from Nino Marti, and Dick Popsil, annexed a four from William Buller. Matchmaker Dick Lee, who sent in clippings and his personal results, states Garcia defeated Accevedo, while the newspapers called it a draw. The bouts here were at the Sir John Arena.

▸ Nick Nichols (they call him Golden Boy), 126½, of Roanoke, Virginia, fought well on the inside to take a split decision after eight rounds from Santo Flores in the main event of Promoter Al Nettlow's offering at Cutler Ridge in Miami, October 10th. Herb Siler, 193, Miami, won the six-semi from Jim Tillman, 220, Macon, while Willie James, 146, Greenville, fought to a draw in a four rounder with Lee Raming, 149, Homestead, and Sammy Mackey, brother of Jimmy Mackey, kayoed Willie Cardona, 126, of San Juan, in the first round. Fans numbered 350.

▸ Herby Williams, 154, Pittsburgh, won a four rounder from Willie Finney, 152, at Little River Auditorium. Harry Tetlow, 150½, Miami Beach, won a split eight from Josh Thomas, 150, Orlando, in the feature and this fight was more than well acknowledge from the 541 customers. Lenny Coleman, 189, Hialeah, TKOed Johnny Knight, 194, in three rounds of a terrific go. Knight had a bad cut over his eye. Grady McLendon, 126, Dublin, drew in four with Carmelo Accevedo, 128, of Puerto Rico. Dick Pospisil, 139, TKOed Barry Barefoot, 136, in two.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING NEWS
By Ike Morales

Ralph Dupas, a veteran at 26 with 111 fights behind him, is looking forward to his second title fight—this time for the welterweight championship—following a lopsided victory over Del Flanagan in Municipal Auditorium.

Back in 1958, a weakened Dupas, a legitimate welterweight at the time, fell easy prey to Joe Brown, being stopped by his hometown rival in eight rounds of a scheduled 15 at Houston, Texas. Since that fight, Ralph has been concentrating on the 147 pounders and at times with the middleweights who have proven easy targets for the rapid-firing lefts of the New Orleans battler.

Two of the three officials, Referee Lucien Joubert and Judge Francis Kercheval, scored all 10 rounds for Dupas, while Judge Herman Dutrieux tabbed the second round even and awarded the remaining rounds to Ralph.

Dupas' victory kept in tact his record of never losing to a fighter who had previously defeated him. The gate hit the $7400 mark with some 2267 paying customers in the auditorium. Dupas entered the ring a 3-1 favorite despite the fact he dropped a close decision to Del two years ago.

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Nolan Duplessis, New Orleans welterweight who hasn't lost a fight in over two years, kept the string alive in the scheduled six-round semi-final, scoring a third round TKO over Bob Morgan of Algiers. Morgan, 148¾ pounds to Duplessis' 144¾, has won two previous starts on Vince Arnone's Westside shows. But in Duplessis, the Westsider ran into an experienced performer.

Henry Mosco, 162¾, Cleveland, Miss., won a close victory over Buddy Russo, 169, Thibodaux, La., in a rousing four rounder. Mosco dropped Russo early in the first round but Buddy came back and made a good scrap of it.

Jerry Pellegrini, 135, of Arabi, La., made quick work of Lalo Uarela, 136, San Antonio, Tex., stopping the Texan in the first round of a scheduled four. The latter hit the canvas twice before the referee halted the contest.

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Aside from the Ralph Dupas-Del Flanagan show, two other shows were staged during October—both Talent Shows.

Promoter George Bonnet made his debut as a pro promoter by staging three six rounders and two fours. In the heavyweight feature, Sammy O'Quain, 194, was handed the decision over Lil' Abner Flanders, 187½, Cleveland, Miss., in the fourth round. Referee Lucian Joubert disqualified Flanders after the latter had O'Quain practically out.

The fight had rocked along fairly even for three rounds, but in the fourth, Abner let go a wild swing that caught O'Quain on the chin, sending Sammy reeling into the ropes. Lil' Abner, sensing the kill, rushed in, knelt on the ring canvas for a level shot and belted the already helpless O'Quain again and again when the referee disqualified Abner.

The rhubarb which followed the disqualification was soon toned down and efforts were made to rematch the pair of heavyweights for St. Mary's next show.

Buddy Russo, 168, protege of Lafourche Parish Sheriff Eddie Ste. Marie, scored a sensational fourth-round knockout over the previously unbeaten Ted Haggard, 170½, of Mobile, Ala., in a bout scheduled for six. Russo hails from Thibodaux, La.

In another six, Gene Wells, 163, Mobile, won a unanimous decision over Leo Langley, 159, of Greenville, Miss.

Mike Brien, 128½, Houma, La., made his pro debut with a second round knockout over Joe Petinto, 134, Westwego. The latter also was making his first money bout. The fight was slated for four rounds. In another four rounder, Autry David, 120¾, Westwego, defeated Jerry Kennedy, former SAAU featherweight champion, who scaled in at 119¼. The $450 gate was quite disappointing to the promoter.

Promoter Vince Arnone staged his third "Talent Show" at his Westside Sports Center in Harvey, La., and the 534 fans who paid $981 to see the fights were treated to some interesting performances.

Philip David, 128½, Westwego, stopped Joey Leijas, 124, of Mexico, in 42 seconds of the second round of a scheduled six rounder. The West Banker had too many guns for Leijas and was making his pro debut before his home folks. It was the climax of another action-packed card or 'fover-the-river" fight fans.

Autry David, 120¾, Westfego, brother of Philip, was handily over Paul Alba, 124, Monterrey, Mexico, in a four rounder. Jerry Pellegrini, 138, New Orleans, chalked up his third pro victory with a trouncing of Ruban Rivera, 140, of Monterrey in six, while Gene Hymel, 167¼, Marrero, La., stopped Sammy Glasscutt, 165, of Texas, in the first round of a scheduled six.

Ralph Dupas and Bobby Morgan of Algiers put on an interesting found-round exhibition, much to the delight of the fans.

Hall-of-Famer Pete Herman, former world's bantamweight champion, recently reopened his French Quarter night sopt with a bang. Members of the press, radio and television were guests of Herman's at a pre-opening get-together. Here's hoping "The Champ" is successful in his latest venture.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell, former World Junior Welterweight Champion

Gov. Gaylord Nelson, finally appointed members to the new three man, Wisconsin State Athletic Commission, which replaces the five man boxing board.

Frank Falduto, of Kenosha was appointed chairman. Joey Sangor, Milwaukee and Dauber Jaeger, Fond du lac are the other commissioners appointed.

The law requires the Governor to name the chairman. The secretary must be one of the commissioners, selected by a majority vote of the commission.

A secretary will be selected at the next meeting after Roger Schrantz, state budget analyst for the commission defines the duties of the chairman and secretary.

There should be plenty of boxing in this state once the pep and enthusiasm, uncorked at their first meeting, by the commissioners and their friends, spread over the state.

LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

At Freedom Hall, Cassius Clay the Louisville teen-age heavyweight scored a sixth-round technical-knockout victory over rugged Alex Miteff.

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In the supporting card James Ellis 160 of Louisville, was declared the winner when his opponent, Clarence Riley 163, of Detroit failed to come out for the second round of the eight-round semi-windup. A cut eye was the reason for stopping the fight. LeRoy Roker, 210, St. Louis, registered a third round T.K.O. over James Wakefield, 209, of Louisville. O'Quinn Bynum, 194, of Louisville, stopped George Chenault, 213, Louisville on a T.K.O. in third round of a four round bout.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

Walter Taylor, who promoted many fine boxing bouts back in the decade known as the Roaring Twenties, is back in the game in Cleveland and will shortly establish a small club and then plans to move to the Arena for larger shows in 1962.

Walter built his own arena known as Taylor Bowl in his first session of promoting and brought the best to Cleveland. He also promoted many fine shows in Cleveland's Public Hall.

There will be no Christmas Fund boxing show in Cleveland, for the first time in thirty-five years. Ed Bang promoted all the shows but Ed and his paper The News, are on the retired list.

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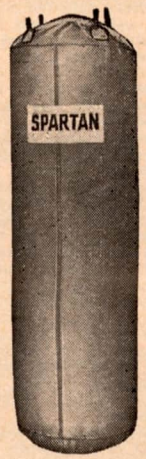

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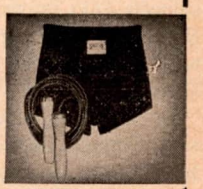

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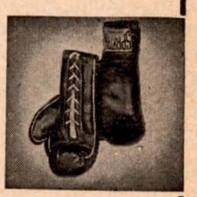

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European Gossip

By CHARLEY PARRISH

Prospects Come Through

MILAN, scene of many Duilio Loi triumphs, was the stage for a very wearisome performance when the Italian defended his world junior welter title against his Chicago challenger, Eddie Perkins. A further blow was suffered by Italian boxing when the chief heavyweight hope, Amonti, was knocked out by Freddie Mack, though Amonti was knocked out more by the ropes than by the American's blows.

A balance was struck by the progress shown by such young prospects as Lopopulo, Tomasoni, Masteghin. Willi Quatuor, brilliant German featherweight, stopped Aldo Pravisani in two rounds at Melbourne while the French feather, Antoine Martin, halted Guillermo Medina in seven at Caracas.

In the Philippines, Guizani Rezgui, rated Tunisian lightie, outscored Filiberto Ravalo and in South Africa, Italian cruiser Alfredo Wogrig was flattened by unknown Stoffel Willemse.

In Britain, Harko Kokmeyer surprisingly lasted the distance against Johnny McCormack in their bout for the vacant European middleweight title and Alphonse Halimi was beaten by Johnny Caldwell in a monotonous return bout for the European version of the world bantam title.

One of the greatest-ever European lightweights—Cleto Locatelli of Italy—died in a Paris hospital. Locatelli tackled the best in the world during the 'thirties, including such legendary names as Tony Canzoneri, Kid Berg, Cerdan, Orlandi, Roderick and Benny Bass. He retired in 1941 after losing to the Dutch middle, Van Dam and since the war was employed in Paris.

VIENNA, Austria—In a last desperate attempt to stem the tide of defeat, Peter Mueller again took on Laszlo Papp, just one month after his seventh-round surrender against the Magyar in Cologne. A crowd of 13,000 packed the splendid auditorium at the new City Hall, a modern wonder of glass and concrete, to witness the return clash. The former triple Olympic champion, still undefeated in the paid ranks, started off in top gear and it was soon evident that Mueller, despite his extensive experience, had found no answer to the Magyar's southpaw style. Papp landed a terrific left hook, followed by a right which dropped the German for "7" at the start of the second round and successive batterings floored Mueller at the close of the session, the gong saving him at the count of "8".

A couple of cracking right-handers bounced off Papp's chin and he staggered momentarily in the fourth. Then as Mueller tried to press home his imagined advantage, Papp countered with a left hook which catapulted the Rhinelander head-over-heels across the ring. A further bombardment battered the last reserves out of Black Peter, who raised his arms in surrender even as he slid down to the canvas.

On the supporting card, Hugo Koehler beat the Syrian, Mohamed Sahib in 8. The loser took three counts at the start. Leo Potesil defeated another Syrian Salah Mousri, in a welter ten and Teddy Schall, 145, gained a disputed points victory over the much lighter Spaniard, Miguel Lopez, 133, over eight rounds.

Two novices made their professional debut when Artur Zemla won clearly over Edi Happenhofer in a four-round welter contest.

BARCELONA, Spain—Due to an unfortunate eye injury sustained in his winning title match against Manolo Correa, middleweight champion José Ungidos has been forced to hang up the gloves. As a result, Francisco Bermudez and Diego Infantes, two of promising boys, were selected to dispute the vacant title. Infantes, who banks on his native strength and endurance, kicked off at a spanking pace and forced his rival on the defensive during the first half of the bout, though Bermudez won the fourth round by a clear margin.

After the sixth round, however, Bermudez gained strength as Infantes tired and his accurate counter-punching made a wreck of the Madrileno's features. Infantes wound up with his left eye completely shut and was badly marked while Bermudez only sustained a swollen cheekbone. The verdict went to Bermudez.

LAS PALMAS, Spain—Luis Folledo, undefeated in Spain, made short work of the Canary Isles champion, Lelo Suarez, in defense of his national welter crown. In the fifth round, after three knockdowns, the bout was stopped.

Kid Daniel won over Cesareo in a welter eight and Carmelo Garcia nodded Cecilia Fajardo in a third welter clash.

VALENCIA, Spain—At the Bull Ring, Francisco Ortega fought a drawn bout with Francisco Penarroya in a monotonous middles eight while Valentin Castellanos, who is making steady progress, dropped Ricardo Navarro for "8" in the sixth round of their torrid feathers eight and won clearly on points.

Angel Rodriguez defeated Aviles in a bantam eight and Sans Garcia stopped Montserrat in the second heat of a welter dispute.

PARIS—At the Salle Wagram, Lucien Fernandes was held to a draw by Daniel Brunet in a hard welter ten while the Italian middle, Aldo Fioretti, stopped René Pigeon in five.

Yoland Leveque had to pull out all the stops to outpoint rugged Nick Maric, Yugoslav cruiser, in ten rounds and Bruno Fioretti, lightweight brother to Aldo, halted the Algerian, Ahmed Bidoub, in the fifth session.

ISEGHEM, Belgium—Carlos van Neste returned to action with a fairly good win over the strong French middleweight, Michel Gonzalez, via the points route in ten rounds. Veteran Oscar Descheemaker was beaten by Gilles Dieudé, a French cruiser, over six rounds and Notteboom whipped Mohamed Khelaouj in a feathers six.

CAGLIARI, Italy—Salvatore Burruni topped the bill at the Amsicora Stadium, as the intended Cossemyns-Rollo clash was called off. Burruni scored a brilliant points win over the tough little blond from Paris, Henri Schelio in ten rounds.

Fortunato Manca, fought a very unnecessary return bout with Jean Hoeffler of Belgium, against whom he had lost on disqualifications. Hoeffler was laid out flat in the second round of a very lop-sided welter fray.

Mario Altana won over Luigi Gheda in a cruiser eight and Silanos trimmed Asaro in a feathers six.

MILAN, Italy—At the Palazzetto Lido, Willi Quatuor stopped off en route for the Antipodes to do battle with dangerous Lino Mastellaro. Lino was injured in training and champion Mario Sitri took his place against the German and took a thrashing for his pains. Quatuor decked the Italian three times and won clearly.

Luigi Furio easily trounced Umberto Urzi in a welter eight, Luigi Tommasoni twice floored Luigi Napoleoni in the seventh round of their cruiser eight and won clearly on points. Giovanni Grazilli won over Carlo Sala n a middles six.

GENOA, Italy—At the Teatro Margherita, Mino Bozzano looked impressive against Alain Cherville, dropping the blond Belgian for a count right at the start of hostilities, and hammering his opponent for seven rounds. During the interval, Cherville was examined by the doctor and ordered to retire. It was later discovered he had fractured a collar-bone.

Other local fighters did well, Mario Oberti flattened Ali Bihi in the seventh round of a lightie larrup. Mirko Rossi chilled Ghermoundy, Algerian welter, in the second and Italo Roncallo obtained a draw against Dekhil Rabak, Algeria, in another welter bout.

PESARO, Italy—Giuseppe Linzalone won his eleventh pro start without undue effort, scoring clearly over Ugo Milan in a fast feathers eight.

In **FLORENCE,** Nedo Stampi boxed a draw against Sandro Lopopulo in a blistering lightweight eight.

BOLOGNA, Italy—Ugly scenes marred the finish of the heavyweight title clash between champion Rocco Mazzola and ex-champion Franco Cavicchi at the Sports Palace. Cavicchi, whose erratic performances have usually made him the target for the crowd's disapproval, was on this occasion completely the master and handed Mazzola a sound thrashing for eleven rounds.

In the twelfth, he merely held the champion at bay, confident of having already won the bout but at the final bell referee Ferrara announced the result as a draw. The infuriated fans slung chairs and bottles into the ring and the police had to intervene to restore order.

On the rest of the bill, Carlos Duran, Argentine middleweight, whipped Gianni Lommi on points. Nino Benvenuti returned to action with a win over Retmia Mahrez of Algeria, whose corner slung in the towel during the third round after Mahrez had taken three counts. Alfredo Parmeggiani bested Guglielmo Bacchiani in a welter eight.

GHENT, Belgium—Richard Bouchez retained his middles title against Bob Stevens, who was obliged to retire during the fourth round owing to a badly cut eye.

In the national welters tourney, Colman won over Favreys, Germain Alloo trimmed Haeck, Lambert bested Robert Posty and Fabri won over Umberto, all six-round bouts.

At MALINES, French boxers topped the bill, Kamara Diop winning clearly over Albert Renard in a bantam eight while Emile Saerens, Belgian middles prospect, outfought Ben Ali Alala over eight rounds.

GOTHENBURG, Sweden—At the Exhibition Hall, Young Jack Johnson of America put the kybosh on the aspirations of Thoerner Ahsman by belting the tall Swede out in the fourth round of their heavyweight clash. Ahsman, kayoed in his last bout against Mildenberger, was evidently ring-rusty and fought clumsily against the giant Negro.

Ingemar Johansson looked sharp in a five-round exhibition with Dave Rent but was still vague about future commitments.

Brilliant Finnish feathers star, Olli Maeki moved one more rung up the ladder by defeating the smart British contender, Billy Calvert, in a scintillating eight while Werner Wasen reversed a previous defeat by narrowly outscoring Con Mount Bassie in a feathers six.

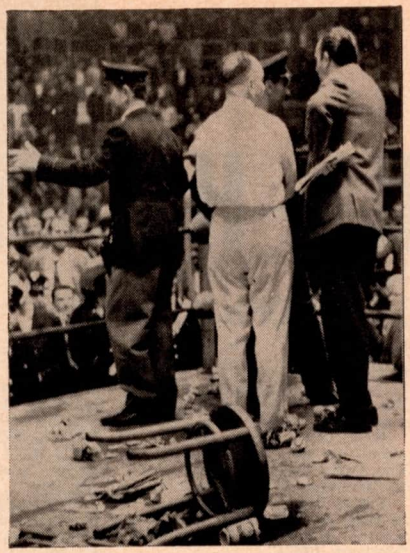
Tivador Balogh, naturalized Hungarian, lost out to Ebe Mensah of Ghana in a lightweight eight.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark—Promoter Johansen blundered when he imported British middleweight veteran George Aldridge in place of Harko Kokmeyer as opponent for Egon Thomsen. The Dane collected two right-handers in the first round but as these failed to fell him, he elected to take everything Aldridge could sling over without, however, using his own artillery. In the third round, Aldridge cracked Thomsen on the jaw and it was all over.

Another visitor from Britain, Roy Jacobs, won before the distance, stopping Sander Bonde in the fourth round of a one-sided lightweight affair.

Heavyweight Carl Welschou made his professional debut, winning on points from the tough French trial-horse, René Goubelle, in six rounds.

Mayhem reigned supreme at termination of fight at Bologna, Italy, in which the ex-champion Franco Cavicchi handed Rocco Mazzola a thrashing for 11 rounds only to have the bout declared a draw at the end of the 12th and last stanza. Fans didn't like the decision.



Finn Jensen and Ivan Prebeg of Yugoslavia put up the best bout of the program. Prebeg decked Danish cruiser for "7" in the second round and had him groggy in the fifth but Jensen boxed well enough to obtain a split decision after eight rounds.

▸ **ROME, Italy—At the Sports Palace,** heavyweight star Sante Amonti belted out for the count in the third round by Freddie Mack, who was outpointed by cruiser Giulio Rinaldi last February. Mack had the advantage of being a fast starter, whereas Amonti is notoriously slow to warm up.

In the third round a sharp left hook knocked Amonti down and as he fell the back of his neck smacked onto the lowest rope. Up at "8", Amonti was still stunned and had to retire, to the stupefaction of the spectators.

Bruno Visintin put up the best performance of the evening, stopping the American welter, Willie Morton, in the second round while Mario Vecchiatto won easily over the Tunisian lightie, Ameur Lamine, in eight rounds.

▸ **LYONS, France**—Michel Vinot, local lightheavy star, made hard work of his points win against the veteran Congolese, Eli Elandon, over ten rounds. Two other visitors from Belgium were also defeated on points, Jean Paternotte losing to Lucien Moreau and Alfonso to André Olivier, both in lightweight eights.

▸ **At ST. NAZAIRE,** Daniel Leullier lasted the distance against Souleymane Diallo in a middles ten by virtue of continual clinching; Diallo won every round.

▸ **TOURS, France** — Alex Bollaert, the excellent Belgian bantam, emerged from retirement to do battle with Jean Guerard and despite three knockdowns in the second heat and two further trips to the canvas later on, lasted the limit in fine style.

▸ **At ST. MALO**—Jacques Dugenie was held to a draw by modest Serge Boe in a middles ten and Noel Pirotais whipped Claude Canu in a middles eight.

▸ **BESANCON, France** — Michel Lombardet outscored the Italian welter, Tito Rodinetti in ten rounds here.

▸ **At ST. DIZIER** — Michel Francois won clearly against mediocre Jo N'Gan in a middles ten but kid brother Maurice Francois was obliged to retire with a cut eye in the seventh round of his welter clash with Rene Brunet.

▸ **FREIBURG, Germany**—Tired of being used as cannon-fodder in foreign rings, Guenther Huber had the bright idea of promoting his own program, attracting some 2,000 fans to make the show a financial success. Unfortunately, Huber himself was not quite such a success. He was obliged to accept the services of big Paul Kraus as opponent and found the task too much. After Huber had taken three counts in the fifth round his corner slung in the towel.

Gerhard Moll, 158, earned more than a draw against Mario de la Corte of Italy after eight rounds.

▸ **GENEVA, Switzerland**—Joe Rafiu King had a light workout against Jean Biosca. In the fifth round, Biosca's manager wisely slung in the towel after the French feather had taken quite a lacing. Gabriele Locatelli, Italian lightie, whipped another Frenchman, Bonjour, on points.

▸ **BILBAO, Spain**—Raton Osuna was held to a draw by the local fighter, Carrascosa, in a fast flyweight eight. Sevilla halted Mauro Pascual in the fifth round of a middles clash.

▸ **MODENA, Italy**—Middleweight Tommaso Truppi scored a points win over the tough veteran, Gino Rossi, despite a badly cut eye which bled profusely from the third round on. Sergio Vezzani fought a draw with Danilo Giusti in a feathers six.

▸ **At ASCOLI PICENO**—Federico Scarponi won a one-sided bantam ten against Francisco Carreno, who remained behind a close defense throughout the bout.

Primo Zamparini won over Campanelle in a bantam six. Nello Rumeri forced Angelo Brisci to retire in the third heat of a middles clash and Massimo Consolati outslugged Franco Rosini in a welter six.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain—At the Gran Price,** feathers champion Antonio Ramos won over former champion José Merayo in a fast eight-rounder. A few days later at the same venue, Navarro Moreno stopped Alberto Alsinet in the sixth heat of a welter set-to and Felix Serrano halted Rabadan in the fourth frame of a lightweight scuffle.

▸ **At CORUNNA**—Tito Gomez, 135, knocked out Chato Ramos in the second round of an official eliminator for the title held by Albornoz.

▸ **MADRID, Spain**—Rain stopped the program at the Campo del Gas, interrupting the terrific lightweight slam between Antonio "Tiger" De Pablo and Alfonso Del Rio. The Tiger bit the dust for three seconds in the opening round but came back with a furious onslaught which Del Rico met halfway. They slugged it out toe-to-toe until a heavy downpour obliged the referee to halt the bout in the sixth round.

▸ **AMIENS, France**—Jean Ruellet got a nasty jolt when he took on Armand Vanucci, the rugged Corsican middleweight who had been refused permission to box for the title during the summer. It was Vanucci's first bout over ten rounds but he surprised the champion by outscoring him in most phases of the bout to gain a narrow win on points.

▸ **CANTU, Italy**—Serafino Novati edged his way into the Italian cruiser rankings in his sixth professional start by halting hard-hitting Luigi Gheda, who was considered a likely successor to Amonti a short time ago. Gheda was in the lead for three rounds but took a count of "8" in the fourth and was forced to signal his retirement in the fifth.

▸ **PARIS—A large crowd attended the Porte de Versailles Palace** to watch Aissa Hashas dispute his first bout of the season, against American top-liner Kenny Lane. Hashas has been inactive of late and bit off more than he could chew.

The "Jaguar of the Saraha" tore into action from the opening gong and belted the American all round the ring for three rounds but Lane took it all and began to counter-attack in the fourth. Hashas resumed the initiative in the fifth but seemed to lose heart as the American soaked up his heftiest wallops. Both men had by now sustained cut eyes, from the sixth round on Hashas tired rapidly and was battered from pillar to post in the final stages. The Algerian wound up utterly exhausted and covered in blood, the decision of course going to Lane.

Imrane Sadok achieved an unpopular quick win over the German welter, Herbert Schilling, who was the target for every irregular punch in the Algerian's extensive repertoire. In the opening round Schilling floored the Algerian who scrambled to his feet and let fly a wild attack, dropping Schilling six times in the two succeeding rounds, chiefly from kidney punches, until the Teuton's corner slung in the towel.

▸ **SANTANDER, Spain**—In a gala presented for the benefit of José Ungidos, threatened with blindness after his fight with Correa, Fred Galiana won a clear points decision over Tony Guiterrez in a welter eight. Young Martin earned the duke over Josan in a flyweight eight.

▸ **HELSINGBORG, Sweden**—Probably the first-ever professional show was staged here with Lars-Olof Norling, 191, scoring a fairly good points win over the German, Klaus Hessman, 192, in eight rounds. Amateur bouts made up the rest of the program.

▸ **ST. QUENTIN, France**—The famed hitting power of Wladis Kopec was again lacking in his third contest against Moussa Sangaree, whom he defeated in their previous meetings. Sangaree was in trouble midway but came back to slug it out with the Franco-Pole to earn a split decision in a hard-fought cruiser ten.

▸ **At the Mutualité in PARIS**—René Barriere retrieved some lost prestige by successfully defending his feathers title against Paul Maolet over fifteen rounds fought a blistering pace.

▸ **CHARLEROI, Belgium** — Emile Vlaemynck regained the welter title he forfeited some time ago for failing to defend it within the prescribed time, forcing René Flaba to retire in the eleventh round of a one-sided affair.

▸ **LIEGE, Belgium**—Rudi Langer, knocked out by Kurschat and Rudhoff in his two last bouts, was hardly the opponent for Jo Rafiu King. In the second, King opened up with everything and floored the Berliner three times. After the third knockdown the ref halted the bout.

Jean Renard continued his winning way with a points win over the French feather, Michel Atlan, but Noel Soetens picked a rugged foeman in Palo Curcetti of Italy who stopped the Belgian in the fifth round of their bantam bout.

▸ **BRESCIA, Italy**—After the failures of Amonti and Gheda, Brescia hopes to have the next cruiser champion in Pierto Tomasoni but in his bout with astute Eli Elandon of Belgian, he had little more than physical strength to commend him. The mulatto boxed rings round Tomasoni but was obliged to make three trips floorwards during the contest and ran out loser on points. Nervino, ex-amateur welter star, outscored Di Maglie in six rounds.

▸ **LEGHORN, Italy**—The formbook went overboard at a local promotion when classy stylist Franco Nenci floored Maurice Colombies three times before the bout was stopped in the third round.

▸ **ROME, At the Sports Palace**—Giulio Rinaldi won an unsatisfactory victory over German trial-horse, Rudi Nehring at the Sports Palace. In the fourth round, Rinaldi landed a hefty hook to the body that sent Nehring writhing to the floor, where he was counted out. The spectators claimed Rinaldi had it below the belt and booed him from the ring.

▸ **MILAN, Italy**—Salvatore Burruni hit an all-time low in his career when he got himself whipped by Albert Younsi. Since then the Sardinian has reversed that decision and later won the European bantam title. But to put matters right, he had to trounce Younsi in Milan, so they clashed for the third time and on this occasion Burruni wrote "finis" to the series by knocking out the Frenchman in the seventh.

Sandro Lopopulo made a good contribution by belting out another French visitor, Ahcene Attar of Algeria, also in the seventh round.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO NOVEMBER 24, 1961)

HEAVIES	LIGHTHEAVIES	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ing. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Karl Mildenberger (G)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Marcel Pigou (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Albert Westphal (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Ginancarlo Garbelli (I)	Fortunato Manca (I)
4. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Helmut Ball (G)	Manfred Hass (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
5. Wim Snoek (H)	Lennart Risberg (SW)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Luis Folledo (S)
6. Mino Bozzano (I)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Jean Rullet (F)	Stefan Redl (G)
7. Franco De Piccoli (I)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Hippolyte Annex (F)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
8. Sante Amonti (I)	Paul Roux (F)	Peter Mueller (G)	Ahmed Sebane (F)
9. Gerhard Zech (G)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Michel Diouf (F)	Fred Galiana (S)
10. Ulli Nitzschke (G)	Pietro Tomasoni (I)	Franco Fiori (I)	Yves Cornez (B)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Aissa Hashas (F)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Minun Ben Ali (S)
2. Giordano Campari (I)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Willi Quatuor (G)	Piero Rollo (I)	René Libeer (F)
4. Guy Gracia (F)	Jean Renard (B)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Jean Guerard (F)
5. Guizani Rezgui (T)	René Barriere (F)	Pierre Vetroff (F)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
6. Conny Rudhof (G)	Paul Maolet (F)	Kamara Diop (F)	Gino Rossi (I)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Olli Maeki (FN)	Sugar Ray (H)	Albert Younsi (F)
8. Ray Nobile (I)	Franco Musso (I)	Elysee Castre (F)	Young Martin (S)
9. Tito Gomez (S)	Mario Sitri (I)	Giuseppe Linzalone (I)	Paolo Curcetti (I)
10. Sandro Lopopulo (I)	Lino Mastellaro (I)	Jean-Claude Leroy (F)	Giacomo Spano (I)

LEGEND: Belgium B; Denmark D; France F; Finland FN; Germany G; Holland H; Hungary HY; Italy I; Spain S; Sweden SW; Tunisia T.

Caldwell—Halimi Booed

By JOHN S. SHARPE

EMPIRE POOL, WEMBLEY—Johnny Caldwell of Ireland, recognized by the British Board of Boxing Control and the European Boxing Union as holder of the world bantamweight title as opposed to America's standard bearer, Eder Jofre of Brazil, retained his crown when he defeated Alphonze Halimi in a return bout in Wembley's Empire Pool arena. When Jack Solomons arranged the return match, he figured it would be as interesting as their first contest, but to his disappointment and that of 10,000 fight fans, the affair simmered down to a clutching affair that brought boos and catcalls all evening. Each boxer was to blame.

In addition, because of the importance of the bout and the fact that the manager of Jofre had come from Brazil to sign the winner for a bout with his champion, a Spanish referee, Porfirio Sanz Marin, was brought in to act as third man in the ring and he did little to bring about the desired action. He had no control over the boxers and the crowd kept shouting advice to him in the hopes of getting some action.

It was my opinion that Caldwell and Halimi left their best work in the gymnasium. They are far better than they displayed on this occasion. Halimi scaled 117½ to 117 for Caldwell. Whatever scoring was done in the open fighting was done by Caldwell.

Avrom Katzenelson, who handles the affairs of Jofre, didn't think too highly of what he had seen. When he left London, he declared he would arrange to have the divided championship muddle settled by signing Jofre and Caldwell for a contest in Brazil with the world crown at stake.

Though the crowd saw a dull world title bout on this card, the bout between Brian Curvis, Swansea, 145¼, and Mick Leahy, Coventry, 146, was a sure compensation. They were meeting for The British and Empire welterweight titles held by Curvis.

The Irishman born in Eire, took out Naturalization papers so that he could be eligible to fight for a British crown. On entering the ring Leahy received a tremendous ovation. It seemed that all Ireland had invaded The Empire Pool to see the fight. Curvis won in 2:10 of the eighth with a rally of body punching against the tough Irishman followed by a perfect left to the jaw. Leahy crumpled to the canvas as if shot. He rolled over on his back with arms outstretched while referee Jack Hart tolled over him the fatal ten. Leahy started off with a two handed body and head punching, and had Curvis on the retreat from his heavy swings. Curvis had a bad cut over his left eye. . . . It was in the fourth that The Welshman decided to change his tactics, by moving around and jabbing away.

By winning for the third time, Curvis becomes the owner of The Lord Lonsdale Belt and 52 pounds per year when he reaches the age of fifty.

Billy Davis, West Ham, 127¼, outpointed Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 126¾, in a good eight. Ken Field, Hoxton, 127¾, was judged to have beaten Hugh O'Neill, Walworth, 127, in eight.

Stoffel Steyn, South Africa, 135½, was forced to retire at the end of the sixth with a suspected fracture of his right hand against Jimmy Gibson, Scotland, 136¼.

Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, 136¼, outpointed Billy Secular, Bermondsey, 136¼, in Eight. Peter Russell, Fulham, 162, outpointed Jimmy Slattery, Newport, 162¾, in four.

▸ **SHOREDITCH** . . . A 1 to 6 underdog upset the betting boys when Sammy Cowan, a southpaw from Belfast, 145½, stopped Johnny Kramer, West Ham, 147½, in the fourth. The referee inspected the cut on the latter's left eye and waved him to his corner. Kramer tried hard to overcome his disability by an all-out effort to end matters in the third, but failed to connect against the swaying, bobbing Cowan. Referee Ben Stichbury again inspected the eye in the fourth and immediately stopped the bout in favour of Cowan.

Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 115, and Brian Bissmire, West Ham, 115¾, gave the fans all the thrills that one could see in a hectic eight with the better boxing of The Brum getting him a clever points winner . . . Bissmire tried to turn the battle in his favor in the seventh and eighth when Cartwright suffered a cut eye, but the latter kept out of trobule to gain a well earned points win.

Mick Hussey, Brixton, 119¾, was unfortunate to be declared the loser in his bout with Eddie France, Edgware, 118¼. He received a cut above his eye and the referee stopped the contest in favor of France in the fifth.

Johnny Evans, Hammersmith, 178¾, stopped Mick Murphy, Sheffield, 178, in the second. Barry Ridge, Leicester, 128, outpointed Johnjoe Donaghy, Maidstone, 127, in six.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB** . . . For the second time at "THE CLUB," scenes beyond description when booing and signs of derision were evident after a referee's decision had been given. Terry Spinks, former British Featherweight Champion, 129¾, was credited by the referee to have outpointed Kimpo Amarfio, Ghana, 128¾, in eight. Since the announcer, Charlie Freen had to step into the ring and appeal to the members present with the plea "GENTLEMEN, PLEASE REMEMBER WHERE YOU ARE" then I leave it to you, my readers to visualize the scene. This was "Golden Boy" Spinks first contest since losing his title to Howard Winstone in May, and from the unusual incident when he was taken ill after being overweight for the contest that did not take place against Paddy Read of America.

Al Keen, Fulham, stopped Al Casson, Leamington, in the third of a lightweight bout . . . Danny Chippendale, Putney, stopped Dave Chandler, Battersea, in the fourth of a lightweight bout.

Syd Parkinson, Wakefield, knocked out Johnny West, Brighton, in the second of a middleweight set-to. Mike Tahenny, West Ham, outpointed Graham Price, Luton, in a flyweight six.

▸ **WALSALL** . . . Terry Edwards, Smethwick, 135, outpointed Tommy Icke, Wolverhampton, 133½, in twelve to win the Midland Area Lightweight Title. Billy Williams, Cannock, 120, stopped Barry Adgie, Derby, 119½, in the second. Len Wilkins, Wednesday, 157½, in his first paid contest, outpointed Jimmy Hogan, Wolverhampton, 159, in six.

Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 133½, stopped Domingo Villaroel, Trinidad, 138½, in the sixth. Johnny Prescott, Birmingham, 196, gained his third win in the professional ranks with a K.O. over Peter Woodward, Birmingham, 184¾, in the third.

Alex Barrow, Trinidad, 196, defeated Eric Frearon, Jamaica, 191½, in the fourth. The referee intervened after Frearon had taken four counts.

▸ **MAESTEG** . . . Terry Crimmins, Cardiff, 122, was declared the winner over George O'Neill, Belfast, 124½, at the end of the fifth when the latter retired after receiving a badly cut eye. . . . Lenny "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, 126, punched too hard for Alan Branquet, Channel Islands, 128, and after the latter had taken several counts, the referee stopped the unequal bout in the second.

Steve Elwood, Brixton, 145½, stopped Eddie Green, Taffs Well, 151, in the sixth. Referee Billy Jones intervened when Green received cuts above both eyes. Peter Delbridge, Pyle, 129¾, outpointed Ron Rowley, Pontypridd, 132¾, in six. Johnny Furnham, Cardiff, 161, outpointed Johnny Plenty, Bristol, 164, in six.

Gerry Maxwell, Caerphilly, 162, outpointed Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 163, in six. Keith Picton, Treharris, 128, outpointed Brian Evans, Maesteg, 125, in six.

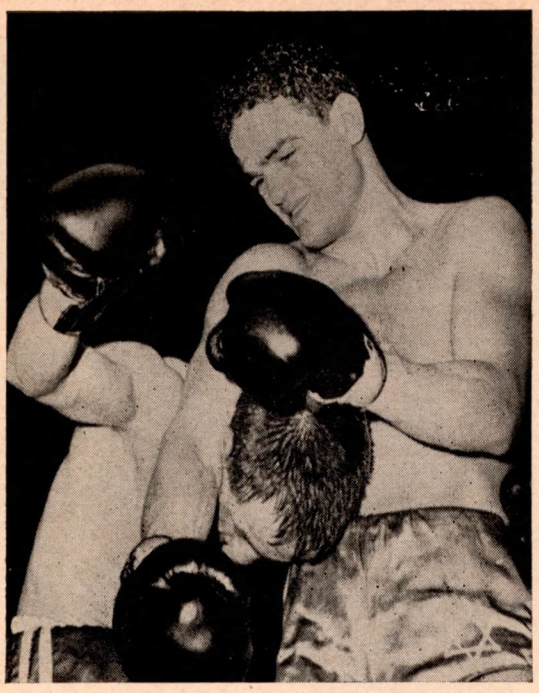
▸ Former British Middleweight Champion, "Bandsman" Jack Blake of Yarmouth, passed over to the great beyoind at the age of seventy. Jack won the Title in 1916, when he outpointed Pat O'Keefe, at

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

TO NOVEMBER 23, 1961

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Terry Downes (E)	Brian Curvis (W)
2. Robert Cleroux (C)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Dick Tiger (N)	Mick Leahy (E)
3. Joe Erskine (W)	Alan Harman (J)	Yama Bahama (B)	Jimmy McGrail (E)
4. George Chuvalo (C)	Stan Cullis (E)	John McCormack (S)	Johnny Melfah (N)
5. Brian London (E)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Phil Edwards (W)	Wally Swift (E)
6. Dick Richardson (W)	Ron Redrup (E)	Gomeo Brennan (B)	Albert Carroll (E)
7. Jim Cooper (E)	Johnny Cole (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
8. Ray Shiel (E)	Burke Emery (C)	Harry Scott (E)	Tony Mancini (E)
9. Peter Bates (E)	Johnny Ould (E)	George Aldridge (E)	Tony Smith (E)
10. Clive Stewart (A)	Johnny Nomura (N.Z.)	Sandy Luke (N)	Johnny Kramer (E)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Rafiu King (N)	Johnny Caldwell (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. George Bracken (A)	Howard Winstone (W)	Preddie Gilroy (I)	Jackie Brown (S)
3. Maurice Cullen (E)	Dennis Adjie (G)	Billy Hafferty (S)	Brian Cartwright (E)
4. Bunny Grant (J)	Floyd Robertson (G)	George Bowes (E)	Danny Lee (S)
5. Gary Cowburn (A)	Percy Lewis (T)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Jackie Bruce (A)
6. Darkie Hughes (W)	Terry Spinks (E)	Terry Crimmins (W)	Alan Gibbards (A)
7. Dave Coventry (E)	Derry Treanor (S)	Don Weller (E)	Jack Treshman (A)
8. Johnny Cooke (E)	Wally Taylor (A)	Alex Ambrose (S)	Brian Bissmire (E)
9. Jimmy Gibson (S)	Love Allotey (G)	Dai Corp (W)	Walter McGowan (S)
10. Eddie Beattie (C)	Ken Field (E)	Danny Wells (E)	Alex O'Neill (I)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.



Alphonse Halimi has Johnny Caldwell in a head lock during the action in their bout in London in which Caldwell won the verdict after fifteen grueling rounds. It was Johnny's second win over his French foe.

The N.S.C. "R-I-P".

▸ **Durban, South Africa** . . . I wrote previously of the two defeats for Percy Lewis, former Empire Featherweight Champion, in South Africa. Now I have to record that Percy revenged one of these losses with a knock out win over Sexton Mabena, South Africa, in the first round. Happy to hear of that victory.

▸ **Pretoria, South Africa** . . . Gert Van Heerden, Middleweight Champion of South Africa, outpointed Gerry McNally, Liverpool, over 10 rounds.

▸ **MANCHESTER** . . . Promoter Gus Demmy packed his Free Trade Hall, with a Television presentation in which Jim Cooper, Beckenham, 194, outpointed Ray Shiel, St. Helens, 187, in ten thrill-packed rounds. There was never a dull moment throughout, Cooper boxing superbly in the early rounds, was caught in the sixth by a heavy right that made him hit the canvas for "nine". The Londoner rose unsteadily, but he had enough experience to get in close to avoid another of Shiel's heavy right swings until the bell came to his assistance.

Cooper made full use of the ring, and stabbed his long left into the face of The Northener until he found an opening in the eighth, when he shot a short right on the jaw of the oncoming Shiel that toppled him onto the canvas for "nine". The latter took another "nine". But Cooper could not finish his opponent who staggered around the ring and was forced to take another count with the bell coming to his rescue at "six". In the last two rounds Cooper coasted to a points win.

Ron Jones, West Ham, 128, defeated Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 126, in the fourth when the latter received a badly cut eye which forced the referee to intervene and declare Jones the winner.

Peter Heath, Coventry, 136, outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, 136, in eight. George Palin, Crewe, 150, stopped Phil Cassidy, Liverpool, 149¾, in the fifth, when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the round with a badly cut eye.

Steve Ako, Liverpool, 150, outpointed Maurice Lloyd, Crewe, 143½, in six. Syd Parkinson, Wakefield, 161, outpointed Owen Feathers, Accrington, 159, in six. Brian Ellaby, Manchester, 157, outpointed Jim Swords, Manchester, 158, in four.

▸ **FINSBURY PARK** . . . Dave Coventry, Liverpool, 137, made short work of substitute Rene Araguri, Casablanca, 128¾, who was outclassed and the referee, Pat Floyd, stopped the uneven bout that lasted 2.10 of the first round.

George Blazeby, King's Lynn, 147, gained a hard earned points win over Billy Wadham, Tottenham, 149½, after six terrific rounds . . . Tony Lewis, Camden Town, 149¼, stopped Paul Eugene, Oxford, 154¼, in the second.

Johnny Ould, Bermondsey, 174¾, outpointed Paddy Delargy, Coventry via Ireland, 175¾, in six. Bobby Davies, West Ham, 126¼, knocked out Peter Delbridge, Cardiff, 127, in the second. Danny Hopkins, Brixton, 119, outpointed Jimmy Molloy, Leicester, 120½, in six.

▸ **Gothenburg, Sweden** . . . Billy Calvert, Sheffield, was outpointed by Olli Maki, Sweden, in a featherweight eight. Ebe Mensah, Cardiff, outpointed Tivador Balogh, Sweden, in a lightweight eight.

Con Mount Bassie, Bournemouth, was outpointed by Werner Vasen, Sweden, in a feather-weight six.

▸ **COPENHAGEN** . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, knocked out Egon Thomson, Denmark, in the third of a middleweight bout. Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, stopped Sander Bonde, Denmark, in the fourth of a featherweight set-to.

▸ It is with profound regret that I have to record the passing of an old friend in JOE JACOBS, the genial promoter of The Granby Halls, Leicester. Joe passed away after a short illness in a Leicester Hospital. He was sixty years old . . . MAY THE EARTH REST LIGHTLY UPON YOU, Joe . . . Rest in Peace.

▸ **Wembley Town Hall** . . . Phil Ludgren, Bermondsey, 127¼, was most unfortunate to lose against Kimpo Amarfio, Ghana, 126¾, within 45 seconds of the eighth and last round. Referee Tom Little, inspected Ludgren's badly cut eye and stopped the bout in favor of Amarfio.

"Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 133, defeated Jimmy Norcott, Stepney, 138, in the second when the latter retired at the end of the round with a bad cut over the eye.

Mick Brennan, Islington, 129½, outpointed Tommy Blackwell, Brixton, 129, in six. Brian Daltrey, Spitafields, 189, stopped Jim Houlihan, Paddington, 181, in the first. Johnny McKenna, Southend, 128, improves with every contest, and his fifth round win over "Southpaw" Frank Lannion, Wolverhampton, 127½, was most impressive.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London** . . . Danny Lee, Port Glasgow, 112½, outpointed Don Braithwaite, Caerphilly, 114¾, in a hard fought eight. Mick Greaves, Leicester, 128¾, stopped Brian Smith, Porthcawl, 126¼, in the fifth, as the latter retired with facial injuries at the end of the round.

Eric Young, Walworth, 145¾, stopped Peter Kane, Isleworth, 147½, who retired at the end of the third. Bobby Kelsey. West Ham, 137½, and Steve Elwood, Brixton, 140½, fought a draw in six.

▸ **WEMBLEY POOL** . . . Eddie Machen, California, U.S.A., 200, gave Brian London, Blackpool, 209, a boxing lesson for five rounds before his chief second, Tony Vairo, decided that it would be a useless expedition for London to continue any further. Before the bout London boasted to one and all that he wanted the Best American that the promoter could provide, and he would blast the ratings sky high. Instead of London blasting, it was London blasted, for it was a case of The Professor and his Pupil.

Coming up for the fifth, London put everything he had in an aggressive attack, but he was soon subdued, and looking the worse for wear at the end of the round, he walked slowly back to his corner and referee Andrew Smythe of Belfast accepted HIS RETIREMENT.

John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 159½, won a hollow victory over Harko Kokmeyer, Holland, 160, to be crowned European Middleweight Champion after fifteen weary rounds. To describe the contest would only make THE CHAMPIONSHIP a farce.

Best fight of the night was the eight rounder between Floyd Robertson, Ghana, Empire Featherweight Champion and Danny O'Brien, Kilburn, at 130. Referee Ben Stichbury decided that O'Brien was ahead on points at the end, but the crowd and ringside critics thought otherwise. Anyway all agreed that it was a good scrap.

Bobby Davies, West Ham, 126½, stopped Mickey Redmond, Bristol, 127, in the fifth.

In the £1,000 Heavyweight Competition, Ken Potter, Battersea, 191¼, was judged to have outpointed Ron Gray, Walsall, 192½.

Eric Fearon, Jamaica, 195, stopped Brian Daltrey, Spitalfields, 194, in the first. Al Roye, Tottenham, 186, outpointed Terry Girdlestone, Rotherman, 215. Dave Ould, Bermondsey, 186½, outpointed Johnny Barday, Nigeria, 186.

In the second series, Ken Potter stopped Al Roye, in the second. Dave Ould outpointed Eric Fearon. The bouts were over the three round route. Ould and Potter will meet later in the final.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London** . . . Jimmy Gibson, Scottish Lightweight Champion, 136½ and Peter Heath, Coventry, 136, provided the members with an excellent scrap with both showing equal boxing qualities. Referee Jack Hart was unable to part them at the end of a sparkling eight, and declared it a draw.

Syd Parkinson, Wakefield, 160¼, outpointed Ivan Evans, Bournemouth, 159¼, in eight. Eddie France, Edgware, 117¾, outpointed Tommy Burgoyne, Halton, 120, in a closely fought six. Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 128¼, defeated Tommy Blackwell, Brixton, 131, in the third when referee Harry Paulding stopped the bout in favor of Robinson as Blackwell had received a badly cut eye.

▸ **SHEPHERDS BUSH** . . . Sammy McSpadden, Fulham, 137, kept his unbeaten certificate with a good points win over Dave Parsons, Northold, 136¼, in a hard hittin eight. Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, 138¼, had little difficulty in disposing of Tommy Icke, Wolverhampton, 139, by the K.O. route, in the second.

▸ **LIVERPOOL** . . . Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, 153½, and Wally Swift, Nottingham, 150½, came in as a substitute contest in place of Chic Calderwood, and Stan Cullis who were to have fought for The British Cruiserweight Title. Both were on the injured list.

In the welterweight bout, Swift was warned twice for low deliveries by referee Wally Thom, and when he transgressed the rules again, he was sent to his corner DISQUALIFIED in the third. A disappointing ending.

Harry Scott, Liverpool, 162, jumped up the ratings when he knocked out Yolando Pompey, Trinidad, 167, in 2.23 of the first round. Coming out of a clinch, Scott shot over a perfect right to Pompey's jaw and the latter fell face down on the canvas as if pole-axed. Referee Jack Board called "OUT" as Pompey rose with arms dangling at his side.

Jimmy McGrail, Liverpool, 146, knocked out Ricky McMasters, Jamaica, 146, in 2 mins. 41 secs. of the first round. Dave Coventry, Liverpool, 135¾, and Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 133½, put up a splendid battle with the former edging out the last of the hectic eight to receive the points decision.

Johnny Cooke, Bootle, 137¾, outpointed Brian Jones, Nottingham, 136½, who was brought out as a substitute for Irelands Billy Kelly. It was a good eight rounder. Steven Walsh, Liverpool, 198, outpointed Mick Cowan, Sheffield, 182, in six.

▸ **WALWORTH** . . . Pat O'Grady, Bermondsey, 160, outpointed Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 157¼, in a gruelling ten. Billy Tarrant, Bermondsey, 148, outpointed his local rival, Neville Axford, 147½, in eight.

▸ **PRESTON** . . . George Palin, Crewe, 149, scored a points win over Brian Husband, Hull, 148, who was outpointed in eight. Sani Armstrong, Ghana, 152, stopped Eddie Phillips, Nigeria, 149, in the fourth when the referee intervened as the latter was taking excessive punishment.

▸ **CARDIFF** . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 128, had to work hard to gain a points decision over Con Mount Bassie, Nigeria, 139, in eight. Spinks had been suspended by The Southern Aria for Twelve Months, and as foreshadowed, his managers appealed to the APPEAL STEWARDS that the sentence was excessive. This delay allowed them to take part in contests until the appeal would be heard. On October 10 the appeal was heard and Spinks' suspension was reduced to three months and he was fined 100 pounds.

Terry Crimmins, Cardiff, outpointed Nelson Estrada, Champion of Venezuela, over ten rounds. Estrada is rated by The N-B-A of America, but this did not deter the young Welshman who left jabbed his way to a clear points win. Crimmins is a sure shot to be considered for bantamweight honours in 1962.

Harry Carroll, the Cardiff "Southpaw" kept his unbeaten record with a points win over Paddy Read, America, in a featherweight ten.

Lennie "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, will always be an attraction in Wales and elsewhere, for this little bundle of energy, barely eighteen years old, gets into his stride as the bell goes for the first round. It was the same on this occasion when he met Tommy McMillan, of Glasgow, in a featherweight set-to. They shook hands, the Scot came forward, forced Williams back, a smart turn by the Welsh lad, who shot a left hook to the head and McMillan was on the deck. He rose unsteadily but in no position to defend himself and the referee stopped the bout in favor of Williams.

Colin Humphries, Porthcawl, outpointed John Powell, Preston, in a welterweight eight.

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli

ALHAMBRA—Charley Scott, 146, Phila., won a split decision over Jerry Black, 144, Phila., in a 12-round bout for the Pennsylvania State Welterweight championship in a thrilling bout promoted by Jimmy Riggio. The crowd of 575 paid $1834 gross, booed the decision loudly. They thought the challenger, who had Scott on wobbly legs in both the second and 10th rounds, should have won the decision.

Scott's big round and the one that possibly decided the fight, was the third. He knocked Black down with a left hook to the jaw. Black was not hurt. It looked more like a slip and he jumped up immediately and was protesting to referee Beloff for calling it a knockdown.

In other bouts: Lenny Roberts, 141, Norristown, Pa., decisioned Dave Morine, 140, Phila., fpir rounds; Lenny Brown, 144, Phila., tk'd Bernie D'Angelo, 144, Phila., in the first round; Reuben Carter, 163, Trenton, TKO'd Frank Nelson, 160, Phila., in the first rolnd; and Bud Anderson, 130, Phila., TKO'd Lou Smith, 132, Wilmington in the second round.

ALHAMBRA—Carlos Hernendez, 135, champion lightweight of Venezuela and No. 5 contender for the world title, was awarded a unanimous decision over Jethro Cason, 137½, of Philadelphia. This was one of the most controversial decisions here in a long time. The show was promoted by Al Lewis.

The fans booed loudly at announcement of the verdict. This was a cat-and-mouse like drama. Hernendez pursued relentlessly while Cason, wily and wary, stepped around with speed, keeping out of range and rolling repeatedly under showers of punches for the first seven rounds. He began to stand his ground in the eighth when he forced Hernendez backward with well placed hooks. He also outfought his opponent in the ninth and tenth rounds. We thought it could have been called a draw. The crowd was disappointing with 811 fans paid admissions, $2,244 gross.

Clarence Preston, 158, Phila., was knocked out in the second round in a spectacular fashion. It was a slow-motion collapse under a stunning right hand shot to the jay from Ralph Williams, 161½, Phila; Anthony Curcio, 142½, with a knockdown in the first rolnd, pulled out a hard-won, four round decision over Lenny Brown, 142. Jose Meyers, 147, Phila., drew with Mickey Henderson, 146½, Phila., and Willie Little, 126, decisioned Bud Anderson, 131, Phila., in four.

PHILADELPHIA is swarming with fight promoters. Al Lewis, Jimmy Riggio, Steve Tomassi, Marty Kramer and Herman Taylor, dean of boxing promoters, all have licenses and each except Taylor, staged boxing shows in October. Taylor is aiming on a big one to take place soon. New requests for licenses have been made by Bob Montgomery, former lightweight champion and Tommy Cross, also one-time lightweight. Al Lewis has been the most active with three shows in October.

CAMBRIA—Johnny (Bang-Bang) Alford, 162, Philadelphia, scored his 15th victory and 12th knockout in 19 pro bouts when he knocked out Clarence Dew, 162, Washington, D.C., in the second round.

In other bouts: Willie Lillies, 129, Phila., decisioned Joe Lowry, 129, Phila., in 4 rounds; Hershel Jacobs, 167, New York, TKO'd Marvin Gordon, 170, Phila., 6th round; Harold Boyer, 168, Phila., KO'd Willie Law, 159, Trenton, 3d round; Clarence Collins, 155, Phila., decisioned Artie Cunningham, 146, New York, 6 rounds.

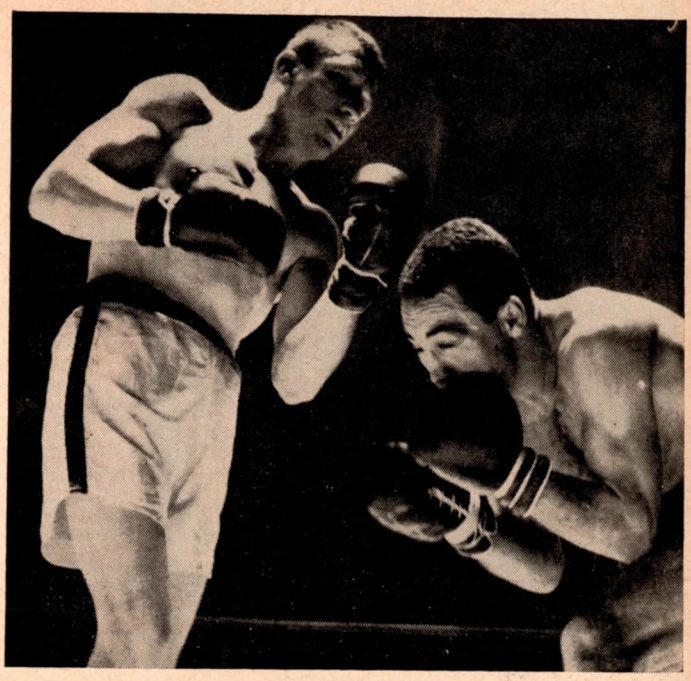
READING, PA.—The first pro boxing show in ten years, promoted by Gordon Weil, proved a success. The show grossed closs to $2000 and was attended by 995 fans.

In the windup, Jimmy McMillan, 145, Trenton, pulled a surprise by his 2d round knockout over favorite Eddie Woods, 148, Phila., Rocky Cambria, 145, Reading, decisioned Willie Green, 138, Trenton, in six; Reuben Carter, 159, Trenton, KO'd Joe Cooper, Phila., in the second round; Tony Curcio, 143, stopped Joe Brown, 135, in the first round; Walter Wallace, 134, Phila., decisioned Yg. Kid Chocolate, 130, Phila., in six. Danny Carter, Phila., decisioned Jackie Lennon, Phila., in six.

CAMBRIA—Tom Lowry, 130, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Rick Conti, 130, Phila., in the featured eight round neighborhood bout promoted by Steve Tomassi. Lowry was in command throughout the gruelling battle and won the vote of all three officials. A surprising crowd of 961 grossed $2444.

In other bouts scheduled for six rounds: Billy Anderson, 137, Doylestown, Pa., decisioned Al Carsello, 141, Phila., Lee Batts, 230, Phila., KO'd Wiley Farmer, 193, Vineland, N.J., second round, while Mike Mangini, 217, and James Hernandez, 200, both of Phila., drew in four rounds.

In the eight round semi-windup, Bernie McClinchey, 160, Phila., decisioned Joe McIntyre, 162, Phila., in six rounds.



Southpaw Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Michigan, made an impressive debut in France by winning the decision over hard hitting Aissa Hashas of Algeria. Kenny was too ringwise for his strong fisted foe and closed fast to win going away. The above photo shows Lane landing a hard left uppercut to Hashas' head in the sixth round.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

Thanks to financial support from Madison Square Garden, Connecticut boxing fans enjoyed three shows during the past month. Two at Hartford and the other at the New Haven Arena.

Hartford, the second in a series of planned boxing shows for the Hartford Sporting Palace saw misfortune strike when one of the contestants in a semi-final bout, Wille Joe Johnson, Newark, N. J. welterweight was rushed to the hospital with a possible cerebral hemorrhage. Although unconscious for a few days, I'm happy to report that Johnson has recovered consciousness and is well on the road to recovery, although he will never fight again.

In the main event, a scheduled six, Rudy Davis, 202, Philadelphia, belted Oscar Fields, 192, New York, so hard that he drove him clear out of the ring. Fields landed on his head and that was the end for him, in 1.12 of the first round. In the ill fated semi-final, Johnson was opposed by Gene "Little Beaver" Thomas of Hartford. Thomas had the better of the first two rounds, but in the third round Johnson made a comeback and held his own. In the fourth Thomas found the range again and near the end of the round caught Johnson in a corner, kept him there, and floored him with a hard right as the bell ended the round. Johnson recovered and went to his corner, but his seconds would not let him continue, and the scheduled six rounder was stopped. Johnson's weight was 139 pounds to Thomas' 135.

Artie Cunningham, 144, Bronx, gained a hard fought, close decision over Roy McGregor, 145, of New York. The rest of the show was made up of semi-pro bouts. The gate was $485.50 with 287 fans attending. Guido Francismore, refereed.

George Sheppard returning to the New Haven Arena after a lapse of many years, inaugurated another series of shows under the helping hand of the Garden. The opener, pitting Hammering Henry Hank, 166, against New Haven's own Jerry Leudee, 174, was a thrilling fight that had the crowd roaring for the home town boy. Although Luedde gave them many thrilling moments, Hank was just too good for our boy, and maintained his superiority through every round. It was a scheduled 10 rounder and lasted until 2:53 of the seventh round when Luedee's seconds threw in the towel.

In a six rounder, Johnny Cunninghan, 157, New Haven, decisioned Carlin Scott, 157, New York and in a fast 4 round bout, Joey Bevelaque, 132, New York, got a gift TKO win over New Haven's Jackie Horn, 134, when Horn came out of a fast exchange, in the fourth round, with a badly gashed right eye. Semi-pro bouts filled out the show. The crowd was estimated at about 1,300 with a gate of a little under $2,000.

Hartford: Another good Hartford Sporting Palace show by the team Wergeles and Higgins with the crowd about the same as the previous show. The results, six rounds, Gene Thomas, 136, Hartford had little trouble defeating Guillermo Talavra, 140, New York, by a 30 to 24 count on referee Pinky Morris's card. In another six, Henry Mayes, 147, Hartford, a protege of Hartford's veteran boxing handler, Sam Gulino, decisioned Roy McGregor, 146, New York. In a scheduled four, Richie Harrison, 175, Hartford, another Gulino prospect, stopped Cleo Daniels, 173, Yonkers, N. Y., in 1:03 of the third round.

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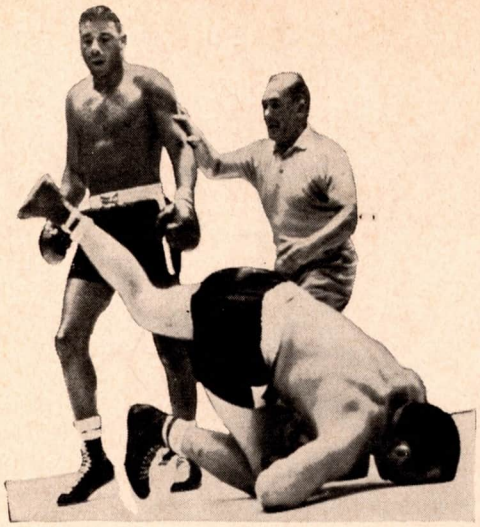

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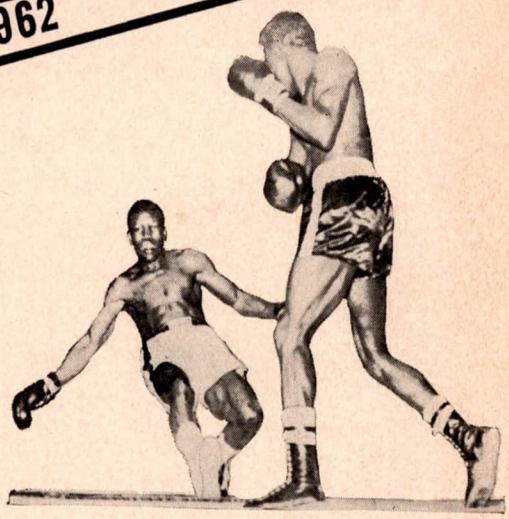

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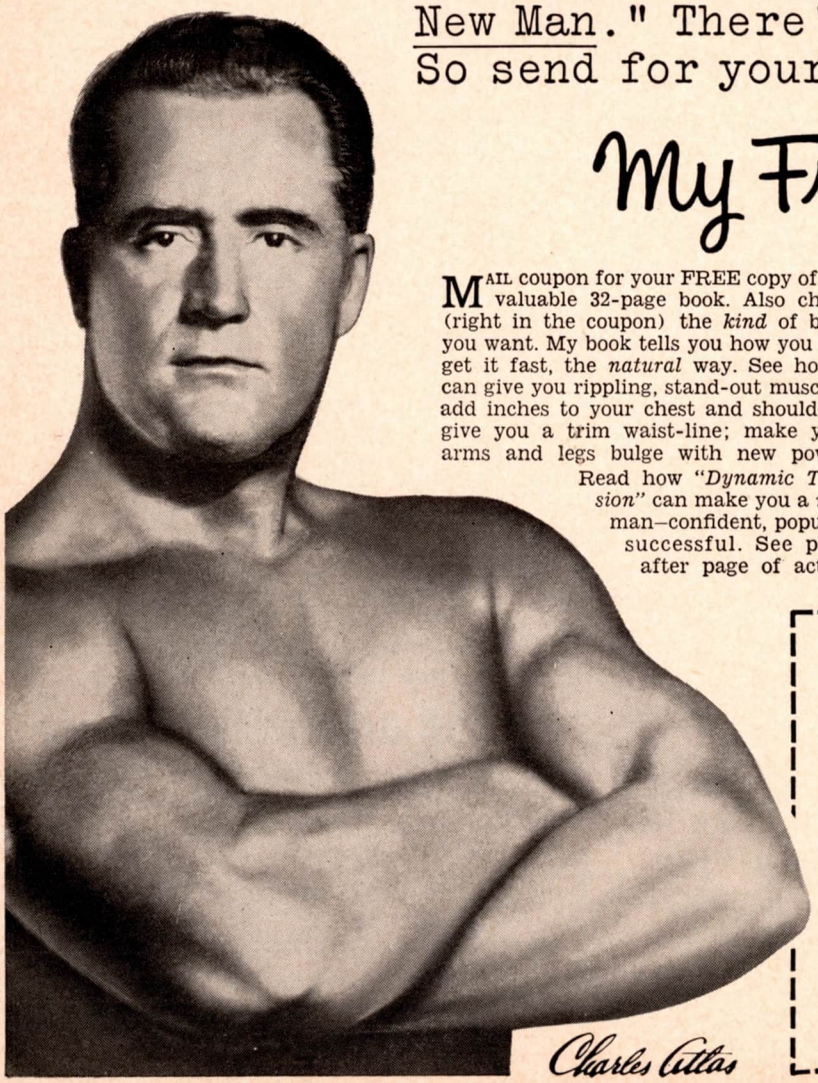

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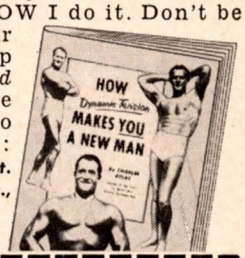

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